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ORDER I

SHORT TITLE, INTERPRETATION AND APPLICATION

Short title.

Applica-

tion.

These Rules may be cited as the Federal Supreme Court (Original 1. Jurisdiction) Rules, 1958.

These Rules shall apply in all proceedings instituted in the Federal Supreme Court in the exercise of its original civil jurisdiction under articles 42, 80 and 81 of the Constitution and to all such proceedings taken on or after that day in all causes or matters then pending; provided that in proceedings under article 42, these Rules shall apply subject to the Federal Legislature (Membership Controversies) Rules, 1958.

3. (1) The provisions of the Interpretation Regulations, 1958, shall, unless inconsistent with the context, be applied in the interpretation of these Rules as if these Rules were an Act.

(2) The expressions interpreted in article 116 of the Constitution shall have the same meaning when used in these Rules.

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Applica-

tion of Interpretation Regulations, 1958.

Interpretation in

article 116 of the Constitution to apply.

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4. In these Rules, unless it is expressly provided or the context Definitions.

> "action" means a civil proceeding commenced by a writ or in such other manner as is prescribed by Rules of Court, but does not include a criminal proceeding by the Crown;

> "advocate" means any legal representative duly authorised by a party to legal proceedings in the Federal Supreme Court and having the right of audience in the Court;

"cause" includes a suit and criminal proceedings;

"Central Registry" means the registry of the Federal Supreme Court under the direct supervision and control of the Registrar which expression for the purposes of this definition does not include Deputy Registrar;

"Court" or "Supreme Court" means the Federal Supreme Court of The West Indies;

"defendant" includes a respondent or person against whom relief is sought by originating process;

"deputy registrar" means any person appointed as such in terms of regulation 4 of the Regulations;

"file" means file in a Registry, and "filed" and "filing" have corresponding meanings;

"Judge" means a Judge of the Court including the Chief Justice and in the expression "Court or a Judge" means a Judge of the Court sitting in chambers;

"judgment" includes decree and order;

"legal representative" means any barrister, advocate, solicitor, attorney or legal practitioner admitted to practise as such in any part of the Federation whether or not he has the right of audience in the Supreme Court;

- "matter" includes a proceeding in a Court, whether between parties or not, and also an incidental proceeding in a cause or matter;
- "originating summons" means every summons not in any pending cause or matter;

"party" and "parties" include as well as the plaintiff and defendant —

(a) a person not originally a party against whom a counterclaim is set up or who has been served with notice to appear under any of these Rules;

(b) a person served with notice of or attending a proceeding although not named on the record in the process;

"person" with reference to a party to any proceedings includes the Federation, a Territory or any person representing either the Federation or a Territory;

"plaintiff" includes an applicant or person seeking relief against another person by a form of proceedings in the Court;

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"Registrar" means the Registrar of the Federal Supreme Court and includes a Deputy Registrar or other officer for the time being discharging the duties of the Registrar or Deputy Registrar;

"Regulations" means the Federal Supreme Court Regulations, 1958:

"Sheriff" means and includes the Sheriff, Bailiff or Marshal of the Territory in which the process of the Supreme Court falls to be executed and includes the deputy sheriff, or under sheriff, or deputy marshal of such Territory;

"Solicitor" means any person who is entitled to practice in the superior Court of a Territory not being an advocate;

"sub-registry" means any registry of the Federal Supreme Court other than the Central Registry;

"sue" means commence or take part in proceedings as plaintiff, petitioner or applicant;

"suit" includes an action or original proceeding between parties;

"Taxing Officer" means the Registrar whose duty it is to tax costs to be taxed in the Court;

"trial" includes hearing:

"writing" includes printing, typewriting, cyclostyling and other similar methods of producing words in a visible form and "written" has a corresponding meaning;

"written proceedings" means any affidavit, application, bill of costs, confession, summons, declaration, defence, notice, statement of claim or other document or pleading which is required by these Rules to be filed.

In the exercise of its original jurisdiction where no provision 5. exists in these Rules the practice and procedure of the Supreme Court shall be exercised in substantial conformity with the practice and procedure for the time being observed in England in the High Court of Justice.

ORDER II

PRELIMINARY

Whenever under these Rules any document is required to be filed 1. with the Court, there shall also be filed three copies of such document but the Registrar may in any case order that a greater or less number of copies shall be filed.

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Where no provision made in these Rules the practice and procedure of High Court of Justice in England to apply.

Number of

copies to be filed.

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2. (1) The Court or Judge may enlarge the time prescribed by these Power of Rules for the doing of anything to which these Rules apply, or may direct a Court to departure from these Rules in any other way where this is required in the enlarge time or interests of justice.

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(2) An enlargement of time may be ordered although the application from Rules. for it is not made until the expiration of the time appointed or fixed.

3. Sessions of the Supreme Court shall be convened and constituted Sessions. and the time, venue, and forum for all sessions and hearing interlocutory applications shall be settled in accordance with directions to be given by the Chief Justice.

4. Interlocutory applications may be heard and determined by one Interlocutory Judge of the Supreme Court: Provided that no direction or order made on applicaan interlocutory application shall operate so as to bar or prejudice the Supreme tions. Court from giving such decision upon the case as may be just.

5. Any person aggrieved by anything done or ordered to be done Setting by a Registrar other than anything ordered or done by the direction of the aside or Chief Justice, may apply to a Judge of the Supreme Court to have the act, varying order, or ruling complained of set aside or varied and the Judge may give Registrar. such directions or make such order thereon as he thinks fit. Such application shall be made by notice of motion supported by affidavits setting out the complaint and the relief sought.

6. (1) All written proceedings in the Supreme Court shall be on foolscap Written of good quality unless the nature of the document renders it impracticable and proceedshall be clear and easily legible, and may be printed, cyclostyled, typewritten ings. or reproduced in photostat or in any combination of these media. The typewriting or printing shall be double-spaced and only one side of the paper shall be used and a margin of not less than two inches shall be left on the left hand side of each sheet to permit of binding in book form.

(2) The statements made in any such document shall be divided into paragraphs numbered consecutively, each paragraph containing as nearly as can be a separate allegation.

(3) Dates, sums, and numbers shall be expressed in figures and not in words.

7. The forms prescribed in Appendix A or forms of like effect shall List of be used in all proceedings to which they are applicable with such variations Forms. as the circumstances may require.

8. (1) The name of every plaintiff and defendant, the year, and the ^{Title.} number of the action as appearing on the writ of summons shall form the title of the action, and every pleading, affidavit and document required by these Rules to be filed in the Registry or served upon any party to the action shall be entitled with the title of the action.

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(2) In any action where there is more than one plaintiff or defendant it shall be sufficient if any document other than the writ of summons is entitled with the name of the first plaintiff or defendant, and it be stated that there are other plaintiffs or defendants as the case may be.

ORDER III

PARTIES

1. (1) In all proceedings in which the Federation or a Territory sue or are sued, the Attorney General of the Federation or of the Territory, as the case may be, shall be the nominal party.

(2) For the purpose of this section the reference to the Attorney General of a Territory includes the Crown Attorney of that Territory.

Joinder of plaintiffs.

Suits by or against

a govern-

ment.

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All persons may be joined in one action as plaintiffs, in whom any right to relief (in respect of or arising out of the same transaction or series of transactions) is alleged to exist, whether jointly, severally, or in the alternative, (where if such persons brought separate actions any common question of law or fact would arise; provided that, if upon the application of any defendant it shall appear that such joinder may embarrass or delay the trial of the action, the Court or a Judge may order separate trials, or make such other order as may be expedient), and judgment may be given for such one or more of the plaintiffs as may be found to be entitled to relief, for such relief as he or they may be entitled to without any amendment. But the defendant, though unsuccessful, shall be entitled to his costs occasioned by so joining any person who shall not be found entitled to relief unless the Court or a Judge in disposing of the costs shall otherwise direct.

Substitution or addition of parties.

Set-off or counterclaim not affected by

Joinder of

3. Where any action has been commenced in the name of the wrong person as plaintiff, or where it is doubtful whether it has been commenced in the name of the right plaintiff, the Court or a Judge may, if satisfied that it is necessary for the determination of the real matter in dispute so to do, order any other person to be substituted or added as plaintiff subject to his consent in writing and upon such terms as may be just.

4. Where in any action any person has been improperly or unnecessarily joined as a co-plaintiff, and a defendant has set up a counterclaim or set-off, he may obtain the benefit thereof by establishing his set-off misjoinder. or counter-claim as against the parties other than the co-plaintiff so joined, notwithstanding the misjoinder of such plaintiff or any proceeding consequent thereon.

All persons may be joined as defendants against whom the right 5. defendants. to any relief is alleged to exist, whether jointly, severally, or in the alterna-And judgment may be given against such one or more of the tive. defendants, as may be found to be liable, according to their respective liabilities, without any amendment.

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It shall not be necessary that every defendant shall be interested Defendant б. as to all the relief prayed for, or as to every cause of action included in any need not be proceeding against him; but the Court or a Judge may make such order as in all may appear just to prevent any defendant from being embarrassed or put to relief expense by being required to attend any proceedings in which he may have no claimed. interest.

Where the plaintiff is in doubt as to the person from whom he is Plaintiff in 7. entitled to redress, he may join two or more defendants, to the intent that doubt as to the question as to which, if any, of the defendants is liable, and to what extent, from whom may be determined as between all parties. redress

sought.

Trustees, executors, and administrators may sue and be sued on Trustees, behalf of or as representing the property or estate of which they are trustees etc., may or representatives, without joining any of the persons beneficially interested sued as in the trust or estate, and shall be considered as representing such persons, representbut the Court or a Judge may, at any stage of the proceedings, order any of ing estate. such persons to be made parties, either in addition to or in lieu of the previously existing parties.

9 Where there are numerous persons having the same interest in Numerous one cause or matter, one or more of such persons may sue or be sued, or may persons be authorized by the Court or a Judge to defend in such cause or matter, on common behalf or for the benefit of all persons so interested. interest

10. No cause or matter shall be defeated by reason of the misjoinder Misjoinder or nonjoinder of parties, and the Court may in every cause or matter deal and non-with the matter in controversy so far as regards the rights and interests of striking the parties actually before it. The Court or a Judge may, at any stage of the out and proceedings, either upon or without the application of either party, or upon adding parties. the application of any party who claims to be interested, and on such terms Consent of as may appear to the Court or a Judge to be just, order that the names of any plaintiff. parties improperly joined, whether as plaintiffs or defendants, be struck out. and that the names of any parties, whether plaintiffs or defendants, who ought to have been joined, or whose presence before the Court may be necessary in order to enable the Court effectually and completely to adjudicate upon and settle all the questions involved in the cause or matter, be added. No person shall be added as a plaintiff without his own consent in writing thereto. Every party whose name is so added as defendant shall be served with a writ of summons or notice in manner herein provided; or in such manner as may be prescribed by any special order, and the proceedings as against such party shall be deemed to have begun only on the service of such writ or notice.

11. Any application to add or strike out or substitute a plaintiff or Applicadefendant may be made to the Court or a Judge at any time before the trial strike out, by notice of motion, or at the trial of the action in a summary manner. etc

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sues or is sued.

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Amendment of writ of summons where defendant added.

Where a defendant is added or substituted, the writ of summons 12. or originating summons shall be amended accordingly, and the plaintiff shall, unless otherwise ordered by the Court or a Judge, file a copy of the writ or originating summons as amended, and serve the new defendant with such amended writ or originating summons or notice in lieu of service thereof in the same manner as original defendants are served, and the proceedings shall be continued as if the new defendant had originally been made a defendant.

ORDER IV

WRIT OF SUMMONS, INDORSEMENT OF CLAIM AND PROCEDURE, etc.

2. (1) Every action other than proceedings under Order XXXI shall

(2) If any plaintiff sues, or any defendant is sued, in a representative

be commenced by a writ of summons, to be issued out of the Registry, which

shall be indorsed with a statement of the nature of the claim made or of the

capacity, the indorsement shall show in what capacity the plaintiff or defendant

Unless the Chief Justice otherwise directs, all proceedings in an

Proceed ings under action taken under sub-paragraphs (a) and (c) of paragraph (1) of article 80 Article .80 of the Constitution shall be instituted in the Central Registry. (1) (a) and (c) of the Constitution how instituted.

Every action to be commenced by writ.

Representative capacity tobe stated.

In all cases in which the plaintiff, in the first instance, desires to 3. Indorsement of. have an account taken, the writ of summons shall be indorsed with a claim

relief or remedy required in the action.

account that such account be taken. Parties to Every writ of summons shall state at the head thereof the name 4. be named.

of every plaintiff and defendant and shall contain in the body thereof the name and place of residence or business of every defendant as far as known.

Contents of writ.

tested.

writ.

Form 1. Issue of

Every writ of summons shall call upon the defendant to enter an appearance within ten days inclusive of the date on which service of the writ was effected.

Form of 6 Writs of summons shall be in Form I in Appendix A to these writ. All Rules, with such variations as the nature of the case may require, and shall writs to be be tested in the name of the Chief Justice or acting Chief Justice, or if there be no Chief Justice or acting Chief Justice, in the name of a Federal Justice.

> The writ of summons shall be prepared by the plaintiff or his 7. solicitor, and shall be presented to the Registrar at the Central Registry, who shall date the writ as of the day of issue, and shall affix the seal of the Court

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thereto. The writ of summons when so dated and sealed shall be filed by the Registrar, and shall then be deemed to be issued. The writ so filed is hereinafter referred to as the original writ.

At the time when any writ is presented to the Registrar to be Copies of filed, there shall be left at the Central Registry as many copies thereof as writ. may be required for service upon the defendants to be served.

The Registrar shall place at the head of each original writ the Writ to be Writs of summons shall be dated and numbered date of the year and the number of the writ. numbered throughout each year in the order in which they are issued. at head.

The copy of a writ of summons to be served upon a defendant Copy of 10. shall be compared by the Registrar with the original writ, and shall be writ to be dated, certified by him to be a true copy, and shall be dated, numbered and sealed by numbered him in like manner as the original writ.

and certified.

No original writ of summons shall be in force for more than twelve Renewal of 11. months from the day of the date thereof, including the day of such date writ. except by leave of a Judge who, on application, may order that the original writ be renewed for six months from the date of such renewal inclusive, and so from time to time during the currency of the renewed writ. And the writ shall in such case be renewed by being marked with a seal bearing the date of the day, month, and year of such renewal; and a writ of summons so renewed shall remain in force and be available to prevent the operation of any statute whereby the time for the commencement of the action may be limited, and for all other purposes from the date of the issuing of the original writ of summons.

ORDER V

INDORSEMENT OF ADDRESS FOR SERVICE

The solicitor of a plaintiff suing by a solicitor shall indorse upon Solicitor's 1. the writ of summons before the same is issued, and upon every notice in lieu address for of service of a writ of summons, the address of the plaintiff and also his own service. name and that of his firm and his place of business and also a proper place to be called his address for service within five miles of the Central Registry where all writs, notices, pleadings, petitions, orders, summonses, warrants and other documents, proceedings and written communications, if not required to be served personally, may be left for him.

A plaintiff suing in person shall indorse upon the writ of summons Plaintiff's 2. before the same is issued, and upon every notice in lieu of service of a writ address for of summons, his place of residence and occupation, and some proper place within five miles of the Central Registry to be called his address for service, where all notices, pleadings, petitions, orders, summonses, warrants and other documents, proceedings and other written communications, if not required to be served personally, may be left for him.

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Proceedings not commenced by writ.

In all cases where the proceedings are commenced otherwise than 3. by writ of summons, the preceding rules of this Order shall apply to the document by which such proceedings shall be originated as if it were a writ of summons, and the provisions of Order IV rule 8 shall apply to such document.

ORDER VI

APPEARANCE

Entry of Except as hereinafter provided, a defendant shall enter appearance 1. appearin the Registry.

> A defendant shall enter his appearance to a writ of summons by 2. filing in the Registry in which proceedings are commenced a memorandum in writing, dated on the day of its filing, and containing the name of the defendant's solicitor, or stating that the defendant defends in person.

> The solicitor of a defendant appearing by a solicitor shall state in 3. the memorandum of appearance his place of business, and a place to be called his address for service, which shall be within five miles of the Registry in which proceedings are commenced.

A defendant appearing in person shall state in the memorandum of appearance his place of residence or of business, and a place to be called his address for service, which shall be within five miles of the Registry in which proceedings are commenced.

5. If the memorandum of appearance does not contain the address for service, it shall not be received. If such address shall be illusory or fictitious, the appearance may be set aside by the Court or a Judge on the application of the plaintiff.

The memorandum of appearance shall be in Form 2 in Appendix б. A to these Rules with such variations as the nature of the case may require.

A defendant shall not later than the day following the day on which he enters an appearance give notice of his appearance to the plaintiff's solicitor, or, if the plaintiff sues in person, to the plaintiff himself.

A defendant may appear at any time before judgment. If he appear at any time after the time limited by the writ or notice of writ for appearance, he shall not, unless the Court or a Judge shall otherwise order, be entitled to any further time for delivering his defence or for any other purpose than if he had appeared according to the writ.

Any person other than a defendant entering an appearance in compliance with any Rule of Court shall do so in like manner as a defendant is required to enter an appearance under this Order.

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Appearance how entered.

Solicitor's address for service.

Defendant's address for service.

Memorandum irregular; address fictitious.

Memorandum of appearance Form 2.

Notice of appearance.

Time for appearance.

Appearance of person other than a defendant

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10. Any person not named as a defendant in a writ of summons for Recovery the recovery of land may by leave of the Court or a Judge appear and defend, of land. on filing an affidavit showing that he is in possession of the land, either by himself or by his tenant.

11. Any person appearing to defend an action for the recovery of land Landlord as landlord in respect of property whereof he is in possession only by his tenant shall state in his appearance that he appears as landlord.

12. Where a person not named as defendant in any writ of summons Recovery for the recovery of land has obtained leave of the Court or a Judge to appear of land: and defend, he shall enter an appearance according to the foregoing rules of named this Order intituled in the action against the party named in the writ as defenddefendant, and shall forthwith give notice of such appearance to the plaintiff's ant. solicitor, and shall in all subsequent proceedings be named as a party defendant to the action.

13. Any person appearing to a writ of summons for the recovery of Recovery land shall be at liberty to limit his defence to a part only of the property limiting mentioned in the writ, describing that part with reasonable certainty in his defence. memorandum of appearance, or in a notice intituled in the action and signed by him or his solicitor. Such notice shall be served upon the plaintiff within four days after appearance; and an appearance, when the defence is not limited as above-mentioned, shall be deemed to be an appearance to defend for the whole.

14. (1) An entry of appearance shall not constitute a submission to the Setting jurisdiction of the Court and it shall not be necessary to enter a conditional aside writ. appearance or an appearance under protest.

(2) A defendant shall be entitled either before entering appearance or within seven days after entering appearance to take out and serve a summons or serve notice of motion, to set aside the service upon him of the writ or of notice of the writ or to discharge the order authorising such service or to strike out the writ, on the ground that —

- (i) the Court has no jurisdiction to determine all or part of the plaintiff's claim, or
- (ii) the issue or service of the writ was irregular.

(3) After the service of such summons or notice of motion the plaintiff shall not be entitled to obtain judgment in default or take any other step in the action without leave of the Court or a Judge.

ORDER VII

DEFAULT OF APPEARANCE

1. Where any defendant fails to appear to a writ of summons, and Default of the plaintiff is desirous of proceeding upon default of appearance under any appearof the following rules of this Order or under Order VIII, he shall, before ance taking such proceeding upon default, file an affidavit of service, or of notice generally. in lieu of service, as the case may be.

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Judgment for costs.

Applica-

tion for

judgment.

2. Where the defendant fails, or all the defendants, if more than one, fail to appear, but by reason of payment, satisfaction, abatement of nuisance, or for any other reason it is unnecessary for the plaintiff to proceed with the action, he may apply by summons for a judgment for costs.

3. In any case where the defendant, or all the defendants, if more than one, fail to appear to the writ of summons, the plaintiff may subject to the provisions of Order VIII (where an account is claimed) on filing a certificate of non-appearance and a statement of claim and a request for hearing, have the action entered for hearing ex parte before a single Judge and the Judge shall hear such action ex parte forthwith or fix a day for such hearing and in such case may direct that notice of such fixture be served on the defendant by registered post or otherwise and published in the Government Gazette of the Territory in which the defendant is resident.

Discretion as to giving or setting aside judgment. 4. Where application for judgment is made pursuant to the preceding Rules of this Order the Court or a Judge instead of giving judgment may make such order or give such directions as the Court or Judge may think fit; and where judgment has been obtained pursuant to the preceding rules of this Order the Court or a Judge may set aside or vary such judgment upon such terms as may be just.

ORDER VIII

APPLICATION FOR AN ACCOUNT

Orders for account.

Applica-

tion how

made.

1. Where a writ of summons has been indorsed for an account under Order IV rule 3, or where the indorsement on a writ of summons involves taking an account, if the defendant either fails to appear, or does not after appearance, by affidavit or otherwise, satisfy the Court or a Judge that there is some preliminary question to be tried, an order for proper accounts, with all necessary and usual inquiries and directions, shall, on application by the plaintiff as provided in rule 2 of this Order, be forthwith made.

2. An application for such order as mentioned in the last preceding rule shall be made by summons, and be supported by an affidavit, when necessary, filed on behalf of the plaintiff, stating concisely the grounds of his claim to an account. The application may be made at any time after the time for entering an appearance has expired.

ORDER IX

THIRD PARTY PROCEDURE

Third party notice. 1. (1) Where in any action a defendant claims as against any other person not already a party to the action (in this Order called the third party) -

- (a) that he is entitled to contribution or indemnity, or
- (b) that he is entitled to any relief or remedy relating to or connected with the original subject matter of the action and substantially the same as some relief or remedy claimed by the plaintiff, or

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(c) that any question or issue relating to or connected with the said subject matter is substantially the same as some question or issue arising between the plaintiff and the defendant and should properly be determined not only as between the plaintiff and the defendant but as between the plaintiff and defendant and the third party or between any or either of them.

he may, by leave of the Court or a Judge on an ex parte application supported by affidavit issue and serve a notice (hereinafter called a third party notice).

(2) A third party notice shall be issued in the same way as a writ of How summons, and a copy of such notice shall be served on such person according to the rules relating to the service of writs of summons.

(3) The notice shall state the nature and grounds of the claim, or the Form and nature of the question or issue sought to be determined and the nature and issue of notice. Form 3. ordered by the Court or a Judge, be served within the time limited for delivering the defence or where the notice is served by a defendant to a counterclaim, the reply. Such notice may be in the form or to the effect of Form No. 3 in Appendix A to these Rules with such variations as circumstances may require, and therewith shall be served a copy of the writ of summons or originating summons and of any pleadings delivered in the action.

(4) The third party shall, as from the time of the service upon him of Effect of the notice, be a party to the action with the same rights in respect of his notice. defence against any claim made against him and otherwise as if he had been duly sued in the ordinary way by the defendant.

2. If the third party, who is served as mentioned in the preceding Appearrule, desires to dispute the plaintiff's claim in the action as against the ance of third defendant on whose behalf the notice has been given, or his own liability to party. the defendant, he must enter an appearance in Form No. 4 in Appendix A to Form 4. these Rules within ten days or within such further time as may be directed by the Court or a Judge and specified in the notice: provided that a third party failing to appear within such time may apply to the Court or a Judge for leave to appear, and such leave may be given upon such terms, if any, as the Court or Judge shall think fit.

3. If a third party duly served with a third party notice does not Nonenter an appearance or makes default in delivering any pleading which he appearhas been ordered to deliver, he shall be deemed to admit the validity of and third shall be bound by any judgment given in the action, whether by consent, party. default or otherwise, and by any decision thereon on any question specified in the notice; and when contribution or indemnity or other relief or remedy is claimed against him in the notice, he shall be deemed to admit his liability in respect of such contribution or indemnity or other relief or remedy.

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Application for directions.

Where a third party makes default in entering an appearance or 4 delivering any pleading which he has been ordered to deliver, in case the defendant giving the notice suffers judgment by default, such defendant shall be entitled at any time, before or after satisfaction of the judgment against himself, to apply to the Court or a Judge to enter judgment against the third party to the extent of any contribution or indemnity claimed in the third party notice or by leave of the Court or Judge to enter such judgment in respect of any other relief or remedy claimed as the Court or a Judge shall direct. After satisfaction the application may be made ex parte: provided that it shall be lawful for the Court or Judge to set aside or vary such judgment against the third party upon such terms as may seem just.

5. (1) If the third party appears pursuant to the third party notice, the defendant giving the notice may, after serving notice of the intended application upon the plaintiff, the third party and any other defendant, apply to the Court or a Judge for directions and the Court or Judge may

- (a) where the liability of the third party to the defendant giving the notice is established on the hearing of the application, order such judgment as the nature of the case may require to be entered against the third party in favour of the defendant, giving the notice, or
- (b) if satisfied that there is a question or issue proper to be tried as between the plaintiff and the defendant and the third party or between any or either of them as to the liability of the defendant to the plaintiff or as to the liability of the third party to make any contribution or indemnity claimed, in whole or in part, or as to any other relief or remedy claimed in the notice by the defendant or that a question or issue stated in the notice should be determined not only as between the plaintiff and the defendant but as between the plaintiff, the defendant and the third party or any or either of them, order such question or issue to be tried at or after the trial of the action and in such manner as the Court or Judge may direct,

(c) dismiss the application

(2) Any directions given pursuant to this rule may be given either before or after any judgment has been signed by the plaintiff against the defendant in the action, and may be varied from time to time and may be rescinded.

(3) The third party proceedings may at any time be set aside by the Court or Judge.

What directions may be given, leave to

The Court or a Judge upon the hearing of the application 6. mentioned in the last preceding rule may, if it shall appear desirable to do so, give the third party liberty to defend the action, either alone jointly with the original defendant upon such terms as may or be defend etc. just, or to appear at the trial and take such part therein as may be just, and generally may order such proceedings to be taken, pleadings or documents to be delivered, or amendments to be made, and give such directions as to the

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Court or Judge shall appear proper for having the question and the rights and liabilities of the parties most conveniently determined and enforced, and as to the mode and extent in or to which the third party shall be bound or made liable by the decision or judgment in the action.

7. (1) Where the action is tried, the Judge who tries the action may, At trial. at or after the trial, enter such judgment as the nature of the case may require for or against the defendant giving the notice, against or for the third party, and may grant to the defendant or to the third party any relief or remedy which might properly have been granted if the third party had been made a defendant to an action duly instituted against him by the defendant: provided that execution shall not be issued without leave of the Court or a Judge until after satisfaction by the defendant of the judgment against him.

(2) Where the action is decided otherwise than by trial, the Court or Judge may, on application by motion or summons, make such order as the nature of the case may require, and, where the plaintiff has recovered judgment against the defendant, may order such judgment as may be just to be entered for or against the defendant giving notice against or for the third party.

8. The Court or a Judge may decide all questions of costs as between Costs. a third party and other parties to the action, and may order any one or more of them to pay the costs of any other or others, or give such directions as to costs as the justice of the case may require.

9. (1) Where a third party makes as against any person not already Fourth and a party to the action such a claim as is defined in rule 1 of this Order, the ^{subsequent} provisions of this Order regulating the rights and procedure as between the defendant and the third party shall apply mutatis mutandis as between the third party and such other person, and the Court or Judge may give leave to such third party to issue a third party notice, and the preceding rules of this Order shall apply mutatis mutandis, and the expression "third party notice" and "third party" shall apply to and include every notice so issued and every person served with such notice respectively.

(2) Where a person served with a notice under this rule by a third party in turn makes such a claim as is defined in rule 1 of this Order against another person not already a party to the action, this Order as applied by this rule shall have effect as regards such further person and any other further person or persons so served and so on successively.

10. (1) Where a defendant claims against another defendant —

Co-defendants.

- (a) that he is entitled to contribution or indemnity, or
- (b) that he is entitled to any relief or remedy relating to or connected with the original subject-matter of the action and substantially the same as some relief or remedy claimed by the plaintiff, or

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(c) that any question or issue relating to or connected with the said subject-matter is substantially the same as some question or issue arising between the plaintiff and the defendant making the claim and should properly be determined not only as between the plaintiff and the defendant making the claim but as between the plaintiff and that defendant and another defendant or between any or either of them.

the defendant making the claim may without any leave issue and serve on such other defendant a notice making such claim or specifying such question or issue.

(2) No appearance to such notice shall be necessary and the same procedure shall be adopted for the determination of such claim, question or issue between the defendants as would be appropriate under this Order if he were a third party.

(3) Nothing herein contained shall prejudice the rights of the plaintiff against any defendant to the action.

11. In relation to any action brought under sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph 1 of article 80 of the Constitution the expression "third party" in this Order means the Federation and a Territory but no other person.

ORDER X

JOINDER OF CAUSES OF ACTION

1. Subject to the following rules of this Order, the plaintiff may unite in the same action several causes of action; but if it appear to the Court or a Judge that any such causes of action cannot be conveniently tried or disposed of together, the Court or Judge may order separate trials of any such causes of action to be had, or may make such other order as may be necessary or expedient for the separate disposal thereof.

2. Claims by plaintiffs jointly may be joined with claims by them or any of them separately against the same defendant.

3. Any defendant, alleging that the plaintiff has united in the same action several causes of action which cannot be conveniently disposed of together, may at any time apply to the Court or a Judge for an order confining the action to such of the causes of action as may be conveniently disposed of together.

4. If, on the hearing of such application as in the last preceding rule mentioned, it shall appear to the Court or a Judge that the causes of action are such as cannot all be conveniently disposed of together, the Court or a Judge may order any of such causes of action to be excluded, and consequential amendments to be made, and may make such order as to costs as may be just.

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Application of this Order to action under Article 80 (1) (a) of the Constitution.

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Claims by joint plaintiffs.

Remedy for misjoinder.

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ORDER XI

PLEADINGS GENERALLY STATEMENT OF CLAIM, DEFENCE AND COUNTERCLAIM

The plaintiff shall, subject to the provisions of rule 22 of this Filing and Order, and at such time and in such manner as therein prescribed, deliver to delivery of pleadings. the defendant a statement of his claim, and of the relief or remedy to which Cost of he claims to be entitled. The defendant shall, subject to the provisions of prolix rule 27 of this Order, and at such time and in such manner as therein pleadings. prescribed, deliver to the plaintiff his defence, set-off, or counterclaim (if any), and the plaintiff shall, subject to the provisions of rules 37 and 38 of this Order, and at such time and in such manner as therein prescribed, deliver his reply (if any) to such defence, set-off, or counterclaim. Such statements shall be as brief as the nature of the case will admit, and the Taxing Officer in adjusting the costs of the action shall at the instance of any party, or may without any request, inquire into any unnecessary prolixity, and order the costs occasioned by such prolixity to be borne by the party chargeable with the same. All pleadings shall be filed with the Registrar before delivery to the opposite party as required by this rule.

Every pleading shall state the title of the action and the Marking description of the pleading and the date on which it is filed with the Registrar, pleadings. and on the last sheet of it there shall be endorsed the name and address of the legal representative filing the same, or the name and address of the party if he does not act by a legal representative.

Every pleading shall contain, and contain only, a statement in a Only summary form of the material facts on which the party pleading relies for his material claim or defence, as the case may be, but not the evidence by which they are to facts to be proved, and shall, when necessary, be divided into paragraphs numbered Signature of counsel shall not be necessary; but where consecutively. pleadings have been settled by counsel or a special pleader they shall be signed by him; and if not so settled they shall be signed by the solicitor or by the party if he sues or defends in person.

Except as provided by rule 5 of this order, every allegation in a Pleadings 4. statement of claim shall be dealt with by the opposite party specifically. He to allega-must admit or deny every allegation, or state that he has no knowledge statement concerning it, or confess and avoid it. Every allegation not so dealt with shall of claim. be taken to be admitted.

No denial or defence shall be necessary as to damages claimed or Damages their amount, but they shall be deemed to be put in issue in all cases unless to be in issue withexpressly admitted. out plead-

Where the Court is of opinion that any allegation of fact denied Costs б. or not admitted by the defendant ought to have been admitted, the Court may by failing make such order as shall be just with respect to any extra costs occasioned make such order as shall be just with respect to any extra costs occasioned to admit by its having been denied or not admitted. or deny facts.

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either by statute or common law, or Statute of Frauds.

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Condition precedent.

Any condition precedent, the performance or occurrence of which 7. is intended to be contested, shall be distinctly specified in his pleading by the plaintiff or defendant (as the case may be); and, subject thereto, an averment of the performance or occurrence of all conditions precedent necessary for the case of the plaintiff or defendant shall be implied in his pleading.

pleading all matters which show the action or counterclaim not to be

maintainable, or that the transaction is either void or voidable in point of

law, and all such grounds of defence or reply, as the case may be, as if not

raised would be likely to take the opposite party by surprise, or would raise issues of fact not arising out of the preceding pleadings, as, for instance, fraud, statute of limitations, release, payment, performance, facts showing illegality

The defendant or plaintiff (as the case may be) must raise by his

Matters requiring to be specially pleaded.

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stated.

9. Wherever it is material to allege notice to any person of any fact, matter, or thing, it shall be sufficient to allege such notice as a fact, unless the form or the precise terms of such notice, or the circumstances from which such notice is to be inferred, be material.

Neither party need in any pleading allege any matter of fact which 10. the law presumes in his favour or as to which the burden of proof lies upon the other side, unless the same has first been specially denied (e.g., consideration for a bill of exchange where the plaintiff sues only on the bill, and not for the consideration as a substantive ground of claim).

Effect of Wherever the contents of any document are material, it shall be 11. documents sufficient in any pleading to state the effect thereof as briefly as possible, without setting out the whole or any part thereof, unless the precise words of the document or any part thereof, are material.

Wherever it is material to allege malice, fraudulent intention, Malice, 12. knowledge knowledge or other condition of the mind of any person, it shall be sufficient to allege the same as a fact without setting out the circumstances from which Condition the same is to be inferred. of mind.

Striking 13. (1) A Judge may at any stage of the proceedings order to be struck out and out or amended -

amendment of pleadings.

- (a) any argumentative or irrelevant or superfluous matter stated in any pleading,
- (b) any evasive or vague and embarrassing or inconsistent and contradictory matter stated in any pleading,
- (c) any matter stated in any indorsement or pleading which may be unnecessary or scandalous or which may tend to prejudice, embarrass or delay the fair trial of the action;

and may in any such case, if he shall think fit, order the costs of the application to be paid as between solicitor and client.

(2) Any application made under this rule shall be made in chambers by notice under an application for directions.

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14. No technical objection shall be raised to any pleading on the Technical objection ground of any alleged want of form.

15. A further and better statement of the nature of the claim or Further defence, or further and better particulars of any matter stated in any pleading, and better notice, or written proceeding requiring particulars, may in all cases be or parordered, upon such terms, as to costs and otherwise, as may be just.

16. (1) Before applying to a Judge by summons or notice —

- (a) to strike out any portion of a pleading on any grounds, or
- (b) for a further and better statement of the nature of the claim strike out, or defence, or
- (c) for particulars,

the party complaining, or desiring particulars, may state by letter to the other party the nature of his complaint, or of the particulars he requires, and call upon the other party to amend his pleading so as to remove the cause of complaint or to furnish the required particulars, as the case may be.

(2) The costs of any such necessary letter and of any matters incidental thereto, including any necessary conferences with counsel, shall be allowable on taxation.

(3) In dealing with the costs of any application to strike out, or for a further and better statement of the nature of the claim or defence, or for particulars, the provisions of this rule shall be taken into consideration by the Judge.

17. A party shall state all pleas and make all his applications to strike Pleas to accompany out at once: Provided that where application for particulars or a better application statement or to strike out is made, it shall not be necessary to plead to the to strike out.

18. Any party who has applied for particulars shall file with the Filing of application and of the reply received to it. These copies for parshall be filed at least four days before the day fixed for the hearing of the ticulars and reply.

Statement of Claim

19. Every statement of claim shall state truly and concisely the name Contents of and description of the party suing and his place of residence or place of of claim. business, and, if he sues in a representative capacity, the capacity in which he sues; the name of the defendant and his place of residence or place of business, and, if he is used in a representative capacity, the capacity in which he is sued; the nature, extent and grounds of the cause of action, complaint or demand.

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form.

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Every statement of claim shall state specifically the relief which the plaintiff claims, either simply or in the alternative, and it shall not be necessary to ask for general or other relief, which may always be given, as the Court or a Judge may think just, to the same extent as if it had been asked for. And the same rule shall apply to any counterclaim made, or relief claimed by the defendant, in his defence.

Where the plaintiff seeks relief in respect of several distinct claims 21. or causes of complaint founded upon seperate and distinct grounds, they shall be stated, as far as may be, separately and distinctly. And the same rule shall apply where the defendant relies upon several distinct grounds of defence, set-off, or counterclaim, founded upon separate and distinct facts.

Subject to the provisions of Order VII rule 3, as to filing a 22. Time for delivery of statement of claim when there is no appearance, the plaintiff shall file with statement the Registrar and deliver a statement of claim either with the writ of of claim. summons or notice in lieu of the writ of summons, or within fourteen days after appearance.

> 23. Whenever a statement of claim is delivered the plaintiff may therein alter, modify, or extend his claim without any amendment of the indorsement of the writ. Provided that the statement required by paragraph (1) (b) of rule 2 of Order IV relating to the plaintiff's choice of law may not be modified in the statement of claim without amending the indorsement on the writ, such amendment to be made only by order of the Court or a Judge.

Defence and Counterclaim

Mere denial 24. In actions for a debt or liquidated demand in money, a mere indenial of the debt shall be insufficient. sufficient.

Defences in other actions.

Counter-

claim.

A defence in denial must deny such matters of fact, from which 25. the liability of the defendant is alleged to arise, as are disputed.

Distinct The same rule shall apply where the defendant relies upon several 26. grounds. distinct grounds of defence, set-off or counterclaim founded upon separate and distinct facts.

Time for 27. When a statement of claim has been delivered to a defendant he delivery of shall deliver his defence within fourteen days from the day on which the defence. statement of claim is delivered or from the time limited for appearance, whichever shall be the later.

Proper Where the Court or a Judge shall be of opinion that any 28. admissions allegations of fact denied or not admitted by the defence ought to have been not made. admitted, the Court or Judge may make such order as shall be just with respect to any extra costs occasioned by their having been denied or not admitted.

29 Where any defendant seeks to rely upon any grounds as supporting a right of counterclaim, he shall, in his defence, state specifically that he does so by way of counterclaim.

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Claim beyond

indorsement.

Relief

stated.

Relief to

be specif. ically

founded on separate grounds.

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30. The defendant may set up by way of counterclaim any right of What right or claim he may have against the plaintiff, and such counterclaim shall have the may be set same effect as a cross-action, so as to enable the Court to pronounce a final up by way judgment in the same hearing both on the original claim and on the counter- of counterclaim provided that a counterclaim shall not be pleaded which would not, if claim. the claim in that counterclaim were made by a plaintiff in an action, be within the jurisdiction of the Court.

31. Where legally entitled to do so, the defendant may set off his Set-off. counterclaim against the plaintiff's claim.

A counterclaim shall be so described and shall set forth in Contents 32. paragraphs separate and distinct from the defence the nature, the extent and of counter-claim. grounds of the cause of action, complaint or demand.

Facts and allegations already set forth in the defence, or in the Incorpora-33. statement of claim and admitted in the defence, may be incorporated in the tion in countercounterclaim by reference to the relevant paragraphs.

claim of facts in defence.

If, in any case in which the defendant sets up a counterclaim, the Dismissal, 34. action of the plaintiff is stayed, discontinued or dismissed, the counterclaim plaintiffs may nevertheless be proceeded with.

not to affect counterclaim.

Where in any action a set-off or counterclaim is established as a Judgment 35. defence against the plaintiff's claim, the Court may, if the balance is in favour on counterof the defendant, give judgment for the defendant for such balance, or may claim. otherwise adjudge to the defendant such relief as he may be entitled to upon the merits of the case.

The Court may, for good cause shown, order the plaintiff's claim Separate 36 trials. or the counterclaim to be tried separately.

Where the plaintiff desires to deliver a reply, he shall file and Reply. 37. deliver it within fourteen days from the delivery of the defence.

Where a counterclaim is pleaded, a reply thereto shall be subject Reply to 38. to the rules applicable to defences. counterclaim.

No pleading subsequent to reply other than a joinder of issue No subse-39. shall be delivered without leave of a Judge, and then upon such terms as the quent pleading Judge shall think fit.

without leave.

40. Subject to the last preceding rule, every pleading subsequent to Time of reply shall be delivered within fourteen days from the day on which the copy filing subsequent of the previous pleading is delivered. pleadings.

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ORDER XII

MATTERS ARISING PENDING THE ACTION

Defence to claim.

Further defence or

Confession

defence.

of

reply.

1. (1) Any ground of defence which has arisen after action brought, but before the defendant has delivered his defence, and before the time limited for his doing so has expired, may be raised by the defendant in his defence, either alone or together with other grounds of defence.

(2) If, after a defence has been delivered, any ground of defence arises to any set-off or counterclaim alleged therein by the defendant, it may be raised by the plaintiff in his reply, either alone or together with any other ground of reply.

2. Where any ground of defence arises after the defendant has delivered a defence, or after the time limited for his doing so has expired, the defendant may, and where any ground of defence to any set-off or counterclaim arises after reply, or after the time limited for delivering a reply has expired, the plaintiff may, within fourteen days after such ground of defence has arisen, or at any subsequent time, by leave of the Court or a Judge, deliver a further defence or further reply, as the case may be, setting forth the same.

3. Whenever any defendant, in his defence, or in any further defence as in the last rule mentioned, alleges any ground of defence which has arisen after the commencement of the action, the plaintiff may deliver a confession of such defence and may thereupon apply ex parte to the Judge for an order for his costs up to the time of the pleading of such defence, unless the Court or a Judge shall, either before or after the delivery of such confession, otherwise order.

ORDER XIII

OBJECTIONS IN POINT OF LAW

1. Any party shall be entitled to raise by his pleading any point of law, and any point so raised shall be disposed of by the Judge who tries the cause at or after the trial, provided that by consent of the parties, or by order of the Court or a Judge on the application of either party, the same may be set down for hearing and disposed of at any time before the trial.

2. If, in the opinion of the Court or a Judge, the decision of such point of law substantially disposes of the whole action, or of any distinct cause of action, ground of defence, set-off, counterclaim, or reply therein, the Court or Judge may thereupon dismiss the action or make such other order therein as may be just.

3. The Court or a Judge may order any pleading to be struck out, on the ground that it discloses no reasonable cause of action, or answer, and in any such case or in case of the action or defence being shown by the pleadings to be frivolous or vexatious, the Court or a Judge may order the action to be stayed or dismissed, or judgment to be entered accordingly, as may be just.

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Points of law may be raised by pleadings.

Dismissal of action, Scope of Rules. Objection in point of law.

Striking out pleading where no reasonable cause of action disclosed.

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4. No action or proceeding shall be open to objection, on the ground Declarathat a merely declaratory judgment or order is sought thereby, and the Court tory judgmay make binding declarations of right whether any consequential relief is or could be claimed, or not.

ORDER XIV

DISCONTINUANCE

1. The plaintiff may, at any time before receipt of the defendant's Discontinuance of defence, or after the receipt thereof before taking any other proceeding in the action (save any interlocutory application), by notice in writing, wholly plaintiff, discontinue his action against all or any of the defendants or withdraw any part and of or parts of his alleged cause of complaint, and thereupon he shall pay such defendant's costs of the action, or if the action be not wholly discontinued, the costs occasioned by the matter so withdrawn. Such costs shall be taxed, and such discontinuance or withdrawal, as the case may be, shall not be a defence to any subsequent action. In like manner and with the like consequences a defendant may wholly or in part withdraw any counterclaim before the filing of the reply.

2. Save as in the preceding rule otherwise provided, it shall not be Disconcompetent for the plaintiff to withdraw the record or discontinue the action tinuance or withdraw any part of his cause of complaint without the leave of the Court by leave or a Judge, but the Court or a Judge may, before, or at, or after the hearing ^{of} the or trial, upon such terms as to costs, and as to the bringing of any other action, and otherwise as may be just, order the action to be discontinued, or any part of the alleged cause of complaint to be struck out. The Court or a Judge may, in like manner and with the like discretion as to terms, upon the application of a defendant, order the whole or any part of his alleged grounds of defence or counterclaim to be withdrawn or struck out, but it shall not be competent to a defendant to withdraw his defence or part thereof, without such leave.

3. When a cause or action has been entered for trial it may be Withwithdrawn by either plaintiff or defendant, upon producing to the Registrar drawal by a consent in writing, signed by the parties or their solicitors.

4. (1) Any defendant may apply ex parte to the Court or a Judge for Entering the costs of the action if it is wholly discontinued against him, or for the judgment costs occasioned by the matter withdrawn, if the action be not wholly on discondiscontinued, in case such respective costs are not paid within four days after tinuance. taxation, and the Court or a Judge shall give judgment accordingly, unless there appears to be good reason to the contrary.

(2) The plaintiff may in like manner apply for and obtain judgment for the costs occasioned by any counterclaim or any part thereof, which is withdrawn by a defendant, if such costs are not paid within four days after taxation.

5. If any subsequent action shall be brought before payment of the Staying costs of a discontinued action, for the same or substantially the same, cause action of action, the Court or a Judge may, if they or he think fit, order a stay of until such subsequent action, until such costs shall have been paid.

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ORDER XV

DEFAULT OF PLEADING

Default of plaintiff in delivering statement of claim. 1. If the plaintiff, being bound to deliver a statement of claim, does not deliver the same within the time allowed for that purpose, the defendant may, at the expiration of that time, apply to the Court or a Judge to dismiss the action with costs, for want of prosecution; and on the hearing of such application the Court or Judge may, if no statement of claim shall have been delivered, order the action to be dismissed accordingly, or may make such other order on such terms as the Court or Judge shall think just.

Defendant in default.

Close of

pleadings

Reply to

counter-

claim.

on default.

2. (1) If the defendant makes default in delivering a defence, the plaintiff may, subject to the provision of rule 7 of this Order (relating to service of notice on defendant), set down the action on motion for judgment before a Judge and such judgment shall be given as upon the statement of claim the Court shall consider the plaintiff to be entitled to.

(2) Where in any such action there are several defendants, then, if one of such defendants make such default as aforesaid, the plaintiff may either (if the cause of action is severable) set down the action at once on motion for judgment against the defendant so making default, or may set it down against him at the time when it is entered for trial or set down on motion for judgment against the other defendants.

3. Subject to the provisions as to disposal of the action on grounds of law, on admissions or otherwise, if the plaintiff does not deliver a reply or any party does not deliver any subsequent pleading within the period allowed for that purpose, the pleadings shall be deemed to be closed at the expiration of that period, and all the material statements of fact in the pleading last delivered shall be deemed to have been denied and put in issue.

4. The provisions of the preceding rule shall not apply to a reply to a counterclaim and, unless the plaintiff delivers a reply to a counterclaim, the statements of fact contained in such counterclaim shall at the expiration of fourteen days from the delivery thereof or of such time (if any) as may by order be allowed for delivery of a reply thereto be deemed to be admitted, but the Court or a Judge may at any subsequent time give leave to the plaintiff to deliver a reply.

Default of third party. 5. In any case in which issues arise in an action other than between plaintiff and defendant, if any party to any such issue makes default in delivering any pleading, the opposite party may apply to the Court or a Judge for such judgment, if any, as he may appear to be entitled to upon the pleadings, and the Court or Judge may give judgment accordingly, or may make such other order as may be necessary to do complete justice between the parties.

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Any judgment by default or on ex parte hearing whether under Setting 6. this or any other Order, may be set aside by the Court or a Judge, upon such aside judgment terms as to costs or otherwise as such Court or Judge may think fit, and where by default, an action has been set down on motion for judgment under rule 2 of this or the Order, such setting down may be dealt with by the Court or a Judge in the setting same way as if judgment by default had been signed when the case was set heredown. under.

7. No motion for final judgment in default of defence shall be filed Notice to unless notice in writing has been served upon the defendant calling upon him defendant. to remedy his default within fourteen days after service of such notice. A copy of such notice shall be filed in the Registry immediately after service thereof with an indorsement thereon of the time, place and particulars of the service of such notice.

ORDER XVI

AMENDMENT OF INDORSEMENT, PLEADINGS, ETC. GENERAL PRINCIPLES

Failing consent by all parties the Court or a Judge may, at any Amendstage of the proceedings, allow either party to alter or amend his indorsement indorseor pleadings, in such manner and on such terms as may be just, and all such ment and amendments shall be made as may be necessary for the purpose of determining pleadings. the real question in controversy between the parties.

An indorsement or pleading may be amended by written Manner in 2. alterations in the copy which has been delivered, and by additions on paper which to be interleaved therewith, if necessary, unless the amendments require the is to be insertion of more than one hundred and forty-four words in any one place, made or are so numerous or of such a nature that the making of them in writing would render the document difficult or inconvenient to read, in either of which cases the amendment must be made by delivering a copy of the document as amended.

3. (1) Whenever any indorsement or pleading is amended, the same Date of when amended shall be marked with the date of the order, if any, under which order and the same is so amended and of the day on which such amendment is made, in date of manner following that is to say -

amendment to be rked.

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(2) Whenever any indorsement or pleading is amended, such Delivery of amended document shall be filed with the Registrar and a copy delivered to amended pleading. the opposite party within the time allowed for amending the same.

4. Clerical mistakes in judgments or orders or errors arising therein Clerical from any accidental slip or omission, may at any time be corrected by the errors. Court or a Judge on motion or summons without an appeal.
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General power to amend defect or error in proceedings.

Stating

of law.

Special case by

order

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Contents of case

stated.

Reference

to docu-

ments

trial.

questions

5. The Court or a Judge may at any time, and on such terms as to costs or otherwise as the Court or a Judge may think just, amend any defect or error in any proceedings, and all necessary amendments shall be made for the purpose of determining the real question or issue raised by or depending on the proceedings.

ORDER XVII

STATED CASES

1. The parties to any cause or matter may at any stage concur in stating the questions of law arising therein in the form of a stated case for the opinion of the Court.

2. If it appear to the Court or a Judge, that there is in any cause or matter a question of law, which it would be convenient to have decided before any evidence is given or any question or issue of fact is tried, or before any reference is made to a referee or an arbitrator, the Court or Judge may make an order accordingly, and may direct such question of law to be raised for the opinion of the Court, either by special case or in such other manner as the Court or Judge may deem expedient, and all such further proceedings as the decision of such question of law may render unnecessary may thereupon be stayed.

3. The stated case shall be divided into paragraphs numbered consecutively and shall concisely state such facts and documents as may be necessary to enable the Court to decide the questions raised thereby.

4. Upon the argument of such case the Court and the parties shall be at liberty to refer to the whole contents of such documents.

Inferences 5. The Court shall be at liberty to draw from the facts and documents stated in any such stated case any inference, whether of fact or law, which might have been drawn therefrom if proved at a trial.

referred to upon the argument save with the consent of all parties.

Argument confined to facts in case. 6.

Signing and filing of case stated.

Written agreement of parties. 7. A stated case concurred in by the parties to a proceeding shall be

No facts or documents other than those stated in the case shall be

7. A stated case concurred in by the parties to a proceeding shall be signed by the several parties or their advocates and filed with the Registrar. Three copies for the use of the Judges shall be left therewith.

8. The parties to a stated case may, if they think fit, enter into an agreement in writing that, upon the determination by the Court of the question or questions of law raised in the stated case, judgment shall be entered by the Court to any effect within its jurisdiction and with or without costs, and such agreement shall be filed with the Registrar, and execution may issue upon such judgment forthwith, unless otherwise agreed, or unless stayed on appeal.

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9. Likewise the parties may, in the presence of the Court, either Oral themselves or by their advocates, verbally make an agreement, as to the agreement judgment to be entered upon the determination by the Court of the questions Court. of law raised in the stated case.

10. Where no such agreeement is made, the plaintiff may proceed Procedure with his action, after filing the writ of summons, his statement of claim and in absence supporting affidavits, if such have not already been filed, but the questions of agreelaw decided in the stated case shall not be reopened in the Court and the action shall proceed to its final determination upon the decision upon the law recorded after the hearing of the stated case.

11. If the plaintiff fails to proceed with the action within a period of Set down. one month from the delivery of judgment on the stated case, or within such extended period as may be allowed upon application to a Judge, the defendant may, if before the agreement to state a case was recorded he had filed a counterclaim, set down the action for hearing.

12. When a Superior Court sees fit, in terms of paragraph (2) or (3) References of article 81 of the Constitution, to refer to the Court any question as to the as to interpretation of the Constitution, this shall be done in the form of a stated interpretacase to be settled and signed by the Judge of the Superior Court presiding in Constituthe proceedings or to whom the question is referred and filed with the tion. Registrar by the Registrar of the Superior Court. Three copies for the use of the Judges shall be left therewith.

Issues of Fact Without Pleadings

13. When the parties to a cause or matter are agreed as to the Hearing of questions of fact to be decided between them, they may, after writ issued and questions before judgment, by consent and order of the Court or a Judge, proceed to agreed the trial of any such questions of fact without formal pleading, stating such upon. questions in the form of definite issues, and such issues may be entered for trial and tried in the same manner as any issue joined in an ordinary action, and the proceedings shall be under the control and jurisdiction of the Court or Judge, in the same way as the proceedings in an action.

14. The Court or a Judge may by consent of the parties order that, Order for upon the findings in the affirmative or negative of such issue as in the last payment of preceding rule mentioned, a sum of money, fixed by the parties, or to be ^{sum} of ascertaimed upon a question inserted in the issue for that purpose, shall be paid by one of the parties to the other of them either with or without the costs of the cause or matter.

15. Upon the finding of any such issue, as in rule 12 mentioned, Entry of judgment may be entered for the sum so agreed or ascertained as aforesaid, judgment with or without costs, as the case may be, and execution may issue upon such upon the judgment forthwith, unless otherwise agreed, or unless stayed by the Court or a Judge.

16. The proceedings upon such issue, as in rule 12 mentioned, may Record of be recorded at the instance of either party, and the judgment, whether actually proceed-recorded or not, shall have the same effect as any other judgment in a contested action.

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ORDER XVIII

SUMMONS FOR DIRECTIONS

Summons for directions.

1. (1) Subject to the provisions of paragraph (2) of this rule, in every action the plaintiff shall within seven days from the time when the pleadings are deemed to be closed, make application for directions in respect of any interlocutory matter on which a decision may be required. Such application shall be made by summons in these rules referred to as a summons for directions returnable in not less than fourteen days and shall be heard before a Judge in chambers.

(2) This rule shall not apply to any proceeding commenced by originating summons, but a summons for directions may be taken out by any party thereto.

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2. (1) The party applying for directions shall in his summons state the of applica- matters in respect of which he intends to ask for directions, and such matters shall, so far as is necessary and practicable, include generally the proceedings to be taken in the action and the costs of the application, and more particularly the following: Pleadings and particulars, admissions of fact or of documents, removal of hearing, the hearing of arguments on points of law, discovery and inspection of documents, interrogatories, inspection of movable and immovable property, commissions, examination of witnesses, place and date of trial.

Form 5.

Judge to consider all matters and make orders etc. Admissions and agreements to be made. Particular matters for consideration.

(2) A summons for directions shall be in Form 5 of Appendix A with such variations as circumstances may require.

3. (1) Upon the hearing of the application the Judge shall, as far as practicable, make such order as may be just as to any matters in respect of which directions are asked and shall endeavour to secure that the parties make all admissions and all agreements as to the conduct of the proceedings which ought reasonably to be made by them and may cause the order on the summons to record any admissions or agreements so made and (with a view to such special order, if any, as to costs as may be just being made at the trial) any refusal to make any admission or agreement.

(2) On the hearing of an application under this Order, the Judge, if necessary, of his own motion, may make an order :---

- (a) directing such amendment of pleadings and indorsements as are permissible under these rules;
- (b) by consent of the parties dispensing with any of the modes of proof prescribed by law for the avoidance of expense and delay;
- (c) directing the admissibility of evidence under subsection (2) of section 1 of the Evidence Act, 1938, or under rules 5 and 6 of the Federal Supreme Court (Evidence) Rules, 1958.
- (d) directing that evidence on any specified points shall be given at the hearing by affidavit;
- (e) directing that such further evidence as the parties desire to produce be adduced at the hearing;

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(f) generally providing for the speedy determination of the questions in controversy between the parties.

(3) No affidavit shall be used on the hearing of the said summons except by special order of a Judge.

4. (1) Any party to whom the summons for directions is addressed shall Duty to so far as practicable apply at the hearing of the summons for any order or make all directions which he may desire as to any matter capable of being dealt with tory applion an interlocutory application in the action, and shall, not less than seven days eations on before the hearing of the summons, serve on the other parties a notice in summons writing specifying those orders and directions in so far as they differ from for directions.

(2) If the hearing of the summons for directions is adjourned and any party to the proceedings desires to apply at the resumed hearing for any order or directions not asked for by the summons or in any notice given under paragraph (1) of this rule, he shall, not less than seven days before the resumed hearing of the summons, serve on the other parties a notice in writing specifying those orders and directions in so far as they differ from the orders and directions asked for by the summons or in any such notice as aforesaid.

(3) Any application subsequent to the summons for directions and before judgment as to any matter capable of being dealt with on an interlocutory application in the action shall be made under the summons by two clear days' notice to the other party stating the grounds of the application; and any application by a party which might have been made at the hearing of the original summons shall, if granted on any subsequent application, be granted at the costs of the party applying unless a Judge is of the opinion that there were sufficient reasons for the application not having been made at the hearing of the original summons.

5. In any action to which rule 1 of this Order applies, if the plaintiff Failure to does not within seven days from the time when the pleadings shall be deemed take out to be closed take out a summons for directions under this Order, the defendant summons. shall be at liberty to apply for an order to dismiss the action and upon such application the Judge may either dismiss the action on such terms as may be just, or may deal with such application in all respects as if it were a summons for directions under this Order.

ORDER XIX

DISCOVERY AND INSPECTION

1. In any cause or matter the plaintiff or defendant by leave of the Discovery Court or a Judge may deliver interrogatories in writing for the examination by interof the opposite parties, or any one or more of such parties, and such rogatories. interrogatories when delivered shall have a note at the foot thereof stating which of such interrogatories each of such persons is required to answer: Provided that interrogatories which do not relate to any matters in question in the cause or matter shall be deemed irrelevant, notwithstanding that they might be admissible on the oral cross-examination of a witness.

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2 A copy of the interrogatories proposed to be delivered shall be delivered to the opposite party with the summons for leave to deliver them at least four clear days before the hearing thereof (unless in any case the Court or Judge shall think fit to dispense with this requirement), and the particular interrogatories sought to be delivered shall be submitted to and considered by the Court or Judge. In deciding upon such application, the Court or Judge shall take into account any offer, which may be made by the party sought to be interrogated, to deliver particulars, or to make admissions, or to produce documents relating to any matter in question, and leave shall be given as to such only of the interrogatories as the Court or Judge shall consider necessary either for disposing fairly of the cause or matter or for saving costs.

Costs of interrogatories.

Form of

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Form 7.

Order to answer or

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Application for

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In adjusting the costs of the cause or matter inquiry shall at the 3. instance of any party be made into the propriety of exhibiting such inter-rogatories, and if it is the opinion of the taxing officer or of the Court or Judge, either with or without an application for inquiry, that such interrogatories have been exhibited unreasonably, vexatiously, or at improper length, the costs occasioned by the said interrogatories and the answers thereto shall be paid in any event by the party in fault.

Interrogatories shall be in Form 6 of Appendix A to these Rules 4. with such variations as circumstances may require.

Any objection to answering any one or more of several interro-5 gatories on the ground that it is or they are scandalous or irrelevant, or not bona fide for the purpose of the cause or matter, or that the matters inquired into are not sufficiently material at that stage, or on any other ground, may be taken in the affidavit in answer.

6. Interrogatories shall be answered by affidavit to be filed within fourteen days, or within such other time as a Judge may allow.

An affidavit in answer to interrogatories shall, unless otherwise 7. ordered by a Judge, be in Form 7 in Appendix A to these Rules with such in.answer variations as circumstances may require.

> If any person interrogated omits to answer, or answers insufficiently, the party interrogating may, within fourteen days after the filing of the affidavit, apply to the Court or a Judge for an order requiring him to answer, or to answer further, as the case may be, and an order may be made requiring him to answer or answer further, either by affidavit or by viva voce examination, as the Court or Judge may direct.

> Any party may, without filing an affidavit, apply to the Court or a Judge for an order directing any other party to any cause or matter to make discovery on oath of the documents which are or have been in his possession or power, relating to any matter in question therein. On the hearing of such application the Court or Judge may either refuse or adjourn the same, if satisfied that such discovery is not necessary, or not necessary at that stage of the cause or matter, or make such order, either generally or limited to certain classes of documents as may, in their or his discretion, be thought fit:

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Provided that discovery shall not be ordered when and so far as the Court or Judge shall be of opinion that it is not necessary either for disposing of the action or for saving costs.

The affidavit to be made by any person against whom an order for Affidavit discovery of documents has been made under the last preceding rule shall of docuspecify which, if any, of the documents therein mentioned he objects to produce, ments. and it shall be in Form 8 in Appendix A to these rules with such variations Form 8. as circumstances may require.

On the hearing of any application for discovery of documents Power to the Court or Judge in lieu of ordering an affidavit of documents to be filed may order list order that the party from whom discovery is sought shall deliver to the ments in opposite party a list of the documents which are or have been in his possession, lieu of custody or power relating to the matters in question. Such list shall as affidavit. nearly as may be follow the form of the affidavit in the preceding rule mentioned: Provided that the ordering of such list shall not preclude the Court or Judge from afterwards ordering the party to make and file an affidavit of documents.

It shall be lawful for the Court or a Judge, at any time during the Production 12. pendency of any cause or matter, to order the production by any party of docu-thereto, upon oath, of such of the documents in his possession or power, ments. relating to any matter in question in such cause or matter, as the Court or Judge shall think right; and the Court or Judge may deal with such documents, when produced, in such manner as shall appear just.

Every party to a cause or matter shall be entitled, at any time, Inspection 13. by notice in writing, to give notice to any other party, in whose pleadings or of docu-affidavits or list of documents reference is made to any document, to produce referred to such document for the inspection of the party giving such notice, or of his in pleadsolicitor, and to permit him or them to take copies thereof; and any party not ings or complying with such notice shall not afterwards be at liberty to put any such affidavit. document in evidence on his behalf in such cause or matter, unless he shall satisfy the Court or a Judge that such document relates only to his own title, he being a defendant to the cause or matter, or that he had some other cause or excuse which the Court or Judge shall deem sufficient for not complying with such notice, in which case the Court or Judge may allow the same to be put in evidence on such terms as to costs and otherwise as the Court or Judge shall think fit.

Notice to any party to produce any documents referred to in his Notice to pleadings or affidavits or list of documents shall be in Form 9 in Appendix A Form 9. to these Rules with such variations as circumstances may require.

15 The party to whom such notice is given shall, within seven days Time for from the receipt of such notice, if all the documents therein referred to have inspection been set forth by him in such affidavit or list of documents as is mentioned in when notice rules 10 and 11 of this Order, or if any of the documents referred to in such Rule 14. notice have not been set forth by him in any such affidavit or list, then within fourteen days from the receipt of such notice, deliver to the party giving the same a notice stating a time within seven days from the delivery thereof at which the documents, or such of them as he does not object to produce, may

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be inspected at the office of his solicitor, or in the case of bankers' books or other books of account or books in constant use for the purposes of any trade or business at their usual place of custody, and stating which (if any) of the documents he objects to produce, and on what ground. Such notice shall be in Form 10 in Appendix A to these Rules, with such variations as circumstances may require.

16. (1) If the party served with notice under rule 13 of this Order omits to give such notice of a time for inspection or objects to give inspection, or offers inspection elsewhere than at the office of his solicitor, the Court or Judge may, on the application of the party desiring it, make an order for inspection in such place and in such manner as he may think fit: Provided that the order shall not be made when and so far as the Court or a Judge shall be of opinion that it is not necessary either for disposing fairly of the cause or matter or for saving costs.

(2) An application to inspect documents, except such as are referred to in the pleadings, particulars, or affidavits of the party against whom the application is made, or disclosed in his affidavit or list of documents, may be made to a Court or Judge and shall be founded upon an affidavit showing of what documents inspection is sought, that the party applying is entitled to inspect them, and that they are in the possession or power of the other party. The Court or Judge upon hearing such application may make an order for inspection but shall not make such order when and so far as the Court or Judge shall be of opinion that it is not necessary either for disposing fairly of the cause or matter or for saving costs.

17. (1) Where inspection of any business books is applied for, the Court or a Judge may, if they or he shall think fit, instead of ordering inspection of the original books, order a copy of any entries therein to be furnished and verified by the affidavit of some person who has examined the copy with the original entries, and such affidavit shall state whether or not there are in the original book any and what erasures, interlineations, or alterations: Provided that notwithstanding that such copy has been supplied, the Court or a Judge may order inspection of the book from which the copy was made.

(2) Where on an application for an order for inspection privilege is claimed for any document, it shall be lawful for the Court or Judge to inspect the document for the purpose of deciding as to the validity of the claim of privilege.

Power to order discovery of particular document

Verified copies.

The Court or a Judge may, on the application of any party to a 18. cause or matter at any time, and whether an affidavit of documents shall or shall not have already been ordered or made, make an order requiring any other party to state by affidavit whether any particular document or documents or class of or any class or classes of documents specified or indicated in the application, documents. is or are, or has or have at any time been, in his possesion, custody or power; and, if not then in his possession, custody, or power, when he parted with the same and what has become thereof. Such application shall be made on an affidavit stating that in the belief of the deponent the party against whom the application is made has, or has at sometime had in his possession custody or power the particular document or documents or the class or classes of documents specified or indicated in the application, and that they relate to the matters in question in the cause or matter, or to some or one of them.

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If the party from whom discovery of any kind or inspection is Premature 19. sought objects to the same, or any part thereof, the Court or a Judge may, if satisfied that the right to the discovery or inspection sought depends on the determination of any issue or question in dispute in the cause or matter, or that for any other reason it is desirable that any issue or question in dispute in the cause or matter should be determined before deciding upon the right to the discovery or inspection objected to, order that that issue or question be determined first, and reserve the question as to that discovery or inspection.

20. If any party against whom an order for discovery of documents Order to has been made files an insufficient affidavit, the party at whose instance the file further order was made may within fourteen days after the filing of the affidavit affidavit of documents. apply to the Court or a Judge for an order requiring him to file a further affidavit.

21. If any party fails to comply with any order to answer inter-Nonrogatories, or for discovery or inspection of documents, he shall be liable to compliance attachment. He shall also, if a plaintiff, be liable to have his action dismissed for disfor want of prosecution, and, if a defendant, to have his defence, if any, struck covery. out, and to be placed in the same position as if he had not defended, and the party interrogating may apply to the Court or a Judge for an order to that effect, and an order may be made accordingly.

Service of an order for interrogatories or discovery or inspection Service on made against any party on his solicitor shall be sufficient service to found an solicitor of application for an attachment for disobedience to the order. But the party order for against whom the application for an attachment is made may show in answer discovery. to the application that he has had no notice or knowledge of the order.

A solicitor upon whom an order against any party for inter-Attachrogatories or discovery or inspection is served under the last preceding rule, ment of who neglects without reasonable excuse to give notice thereof to his client, solicitor. shall be liable to attachment.

24 Any party may, at the trial of a cause, matter, or issue, use in Using evidence any one or more of the answers or any part of an answer of the answer to opposite party to interrogatories without putting in the others or the whole tories at of such answer: Provided always, that in such case the Court may look at trial. the whole of the answers, and if it shall be of opinion that any others of them are so connected with those put in that the last mentioned answers ought not to be used without them, it may direct them to be put in.

25. In all proceedings in which the Government of the Federation or Discovery of a Territory is a party any affidavit to be made in answer to an order for against the Governinterrogatories or for discovery against such Government shall be made by ment such officer as the Court or a Judge may direct.

This Order shall apply to infant plaintiffs and defendants, and to Order to 26. apply to infants. their next friends and guardians ad litem.

27. The Court or a Judge may order a party seeking discovery to Security. give security for costs.

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ADMISSIONS

or otherwise in writing, that he admits to the truth of the whole or any part

Any party to a cause or matter may give notice, by his pleading,

Notice of admission of facts.

Notice to admit documents and costs of refusal or neglect to admit. 2. (1) Either party may by notice in writing call upon the other party to admit any document, saving all just exceptions; and in case of refusal or neglect to admit after such notice, the costs of proving any such document shall be paid by the party so neglecting or refusing, whatever the result of the cause or matter may be, unless at the trial or hearing the Court or a Judge rules that the refusal to admit was reasonable; and no costs of proving any document shall be allowed unless such notice is given, except where the omission to give notice is, in the opinion of the taxing officer, a saving of expense.

(2) A notice to admit documents shall be in Form 11 of Appendix A to these Rules with such variations as circumstances may require.

3. (1) Any party may, by notice in writing, at any time not later than five days before the day for which notice of trial has been given, call on any other party to admit, for the purposes of the cause, matter, or issue only, any specific fact or facts mentioned in such notice.

(2) A notice to admit facts shall be in Form 12 of Appendix A to these Rules with such variations as circumstances may require.

(3) Admission of facts pursuant to a notice under this rule shall be in Form 13 of Appendix A to these Rules with such variations as circumstances may require.

4. In case of refusal or neglect to admit the same before the hearing the Court or a Judge shall order that the costs of proving such fact or facts shall be paid by the party so neglecting or refusing, whatever the result of the cause, matter, or issue may be, unless at the trial or hearing the Court or a Judge is satisfied that the refusal to admit was reasonable, or unless the Court or a Judge shall at any time otherwise order or direct.

5. Any admission made in pursuance of such notice is to be deemed to be made only for the purposes of the particular cause, matter or issue, and not as an admission to be used against the party on any other occasion or in favour of any person other than the party giving the notice.

6. The Court or a Judge may at any time allow any party to amend or withdraw any admission so made on such terms as may be just.

7. Any party may at any stage of a cause or matter, where admissions of fact have been made, either on the pleadings, or otherwise, apply to the Court or a Judge for such judgment or order as upon such admissions he may be entitled to, without waiting for the determination of any other

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Form of notice to admit documents. Form 11. Notice to admit

Form of notice to admit facts. Form 12.

facts.

Form of admission of facts. Form 13.

Costs of refusal or neglect to admit.

Admission limited to particular cause or matter.

Amendment of admission.

Judgment or order upon admissions of facts.

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question between the parties; and the Court or a Judge may upon such application make such order, or give such judgment, as the Court or Judge may think just.

An affidavit of the legal representative of the due signature of any Affidavit admissions made in pursuance of any notice to admit documents or facts, shall of signa-ture to be sufficient evidence of such admissions, if evidence thereof be required. admissions.

An affidavit of the legal representative of the service of any notice Affidavit to admit or produce, and of the time when it was served, with a copy of the of service. notice to admit or produce, shall in all cases be sufficient evidence of the service of the said notice, and of the time when it was served.

10. If a notice to admit or produce comprises documents which are Costs of not necessary, the costs occasioned thereby shall be borne by the party giving notice where such notice.

documents unnecessary.

ORDER XXI

ISSUES, INQUIRIES AND ACCOUNTS

Where in any cause or matter it appears to the Court or a Judge Issues may 1. that the issues of fact in dispute are not sufficiently defined, the parties may be prepared be directed to prepare issues and such issues shall, if the parties differ, be and such issues shall, if the parties differ, be and settled. settled by the Court or a Judge.

The Court or a Judge may, at any stage of the proceedings in a Inquiries 2. cause or matter, direct any necessary inquiries or accounts to be made or and taken, notwithstanding that it may appear that there is some special or furher when relief sought or some special issue to be tried, as to which it may be proper directed. that the cause or matter should proceed in the ordinary manner.

The Court, by its order, may limit the time within which the Time for 3. accounts ordered are to be furnished.

The Court or a Judge may, either by the judgment or order special 4 directing an account to be taken or by any subsequent order, give special directions directions with regard to the mode in which the account is to be taken or as to be vouched, and in particular may direct that in taking the account, the books taking of account in which the accounts in question have been kept shall be taken account. as prima facie evidence of the truth of the matters therein contained with liberty to the parties interested to take such objections thereto as they may be advised.

Where any account is directed to be taken, the accounting party, Accounts 5. unless the Court or a Judge shall otherwise direct, shall make out his account to be and verify the same by affidavit. The items on each side of the account shall verified by affidavit be numbered consecutively, and the account shall be referred to by the affidavit. as an exhibit and shall be filed in the Registry within the time limited by the order, or if no time be limited, within twenty-eight days of the date of the order. The accounting party shall forthwith give notice of the filing of the account to the opposite party.

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Mode of vouching accounts.

Surcharging and falsifying.

Answer by accounting party.

Time to be fixed for consideration of accounts and

objections. Determina-

tion of objections.

Settlement of account.

Deposit for remuneration of accountant.

Form of account.

6. Upon the taking of any account the Court or a Judge may direct that the vouchers shall be produced at the office of the solicitor of the accounting party, or at any other convenient place, and that only such items as may be contested or surcharged shall be brought before the Judge in chambers.

7. Any party seeking to charge any accounting party beyond what he has by his account admitted to have received, or to strike out or reduce any items for which he has taken credit, shall within twenty-eight days after notice has been given of the account having been filed, give notice thereof to the accounting party, and file with the Registrar a copy of such notice, stating so far as he is able, the amounts sought to be charged and reduced respectively and the particulars thereof in a short and succinct manner. If no notice is given or filed the correctness of the accounts shall be deemed to be admitted.

8. The accounting party may, within fourteen days after receiving notice of the objections, file an answer and deliver a copy thereof to the opposite party in which answer he shall state, in a short and succinct manner, how far he admits or does not admit the objections to his account. If he does not file and deliver a copy of such answer within fourteen days, or such further period, if any, as the Court or a Judge may allow, he shall be deemed to have admitted all the objections.

9. After the filing of the notice of objections and the answer thereto, or after the time limited for so doing has expired, as the case may be, the documents shall forthwith be laid by the Registrar before a Judge, who shall fix a time for the consideration of the accounts and the objections thereto.

10. At the time so fixed the parties shall appear before the Judge, who, after hearing the parties or such of them as shall attend, and considering any evidence adduced by them, shall settle all questions of law or fact raised by the objections to the account. The party objecting to the account shall not, except by leave of the Judge, be permitted to raise any objections to the account other than those stated in his notice of objections.

11. When all questions of law and fact have been decided by the Judge, he may either settle and adjust the accounts himself, or in any case in which it shall appear to him to be necessary or desirable to do so, direct that the accounts be referred to an accountant or other person in order that the account between the parties may be adjusted and settled in accordance with his findings, and may limit a time within which the account shall be so adjusted and settled.

12. Before any such order is made for an accountant or any other person the Judge shall fix the amount of remuneration to be paid to the accountant or any other person and the amount so fixed shall be deposited in Court by the party applying for an account in the first instance and shall be costs in the cause.

13. The account as adjusted and settled shall show what sum (if any) is due from any party to any other party; and when settled by the accountant shall be deposited in the Registry within the time so limited, unless such time be extended by the Judge.

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14. When the account as finally settled has been deposited in the Deposit of Registry, or has been settled by the Judge, the Registrar shall forthwith be notified. notify the respective parties thereof.

Any party may, within fourteen days after receiving notice from Applica-15. Any party may, within fourteen days after receiving notice from tion for the Registrar, apply to the Court or a Judge for the judgment to which he judgment. considers that he is entitled.

Every judgment or order for a general account of the estate of a Inquiry as 16. testator or intestate shall contain a direction for an inquiry what parts (if any) to out-of such estate are outstanding or undisposed of, unless the Court or a Judge estate. shall oherwise direct.

Where by any judgment or order, whether delivered or made in Accounts 17. Court or in Chambers, any accounts are directed to be taken or inquiries to and in-quiries to quiries to be made, each such direction shall be numbered so that, as far as may be, each be distinct account and inquiry may be designated by a number. numbered.

In taking any account directed by any judgment or order all just Just 18. allowances shall be made without any direction for that purpose.

The costs of the proceedings, unless the Judge before whom the Costs 19. parties have appeared shall otherwise order, shall be costs in the cause.

ORDER XXII

ENTRY FOR HEARING OR TRIAL

1. (1) When a cause or matter has become ripe for hearing it shall be Request for hearing by the duty of the plaintiff or other party in the position of plaintiff to file a plaintiff. request for hearing within six weeks thereafter.

(2) A request for hearing shall be in Form 14 in Appendix A to these Form 14. Rules with such variations as circumstances may require.

If the plaintiff or other party as aforesaid does not within the time Request prescribed under the preceding rule file a request for hearing, the defendant for hearing by defendmay file such request or may apply to the Court or a Judge to dismiss the ant. cause or matter for want of prosecution, and on the hearing of such application Application the Court or Judge may order the cause or matter to be dismissed accordingly, to dismiss or may make such other order, and on such terms, as to the Court or Judge of prosecumay seem just. tion.

3. (1) Subject as hereinafter provided a cause or matter shall be ripe for When cause hearing when —

- or matter . ripe for
- (a) the defendant is in default of appearance or has failed to hearing. deliver a defence and the plaintiff has complied with the provisions of Order VII or Order XV as the case may be;
- (b) the pleadings have been closed by the delivery of a reply or if no reply has been delivered after the time for delivery or a reply has expired;

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(c) subject to the provision of paragraph (2) of this rule an order has been made under any Order giving directions as to the trial of the cause or matter.

(2) If there are any interlocutory proceedings pending, a cause or matter shall not become ripe for hearing until the determination of such proceedings unless the Court or a Judge otherwise orders.

Papers for the Court.

4. (1) The party filing a request for hearing shall at the same time deliver to the Registrar three complete copies of the whole of the pleadings for the use of the Court or the Judges.

(2) A party shall, when filing a pleading after an action has been entered for hearing, also deliver three copies thereof, for the use of the Judges.

(3) If any party fails to comply with the provisions of this rule the Court or a Judge may make such order as to the hearing or determination of the cause or matter or as to costs or otherwise as the Court or Judge may think fit.

5. The party filing a request for hearing shall forthwith give notice thereof in writing to all other parties in the cause or matter but defendants or third parties who have not entered shall not be entitled to such notice.

Hearing List.

Notice of

filing.

When cause or matter deserted.

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6. The Registrar shall, on the day on which a request for hearing has been filed, enter the cause or matter on the Hearing List and such entry shall be made in the order in which each request is filed.

7. (1) A cause or matter shall be deemed deserted if no request for hearing shall be filed within six months after the expiration of the period fixed for the filing of such request.

(2) When an action has been deemed deserted, no further proceedings may be taken therein, unless and until an order for revivor has been made by the Court or a Judge on the application of any party or a consent to revivor and a request for hearitng signed by all the parties thereto have been filed.

(3) No order for or consent to revivor shall avail as an advantage to the plaintiff in respect of the period of limitation applicable to the cause of action.

8. (1) A cause or matter shall be deemed altogether abandoned and incapable of being revived if prior to the filing of a request for hearing or consent to judgment or the obtaining of judgment abandoned.

- (a) any party has failed to take any proceeding or file any document therein for one year from the date of the last proceeding had or the filing of the last document therein; or
- (b) no application for or consent to revivor has been filed within six months after the cause or matter has been deemed deserted; or

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(c) if the cause or matter has not, on the request of any party, been entered on the Hearing List within six months from the date of any order of revivor.

(2) The instituting of a cause or matter which has been deemed altogether abandoned shall be of no effect in interrupting any period of limitation.

The Registrar shall, under the direction of the Court, appoint the Date of hearing. 9. days on which the actions appearing on the Hearing List shall be heard by the Court, and notice of the days so appointed shall be published and exhibited in such manner and in such place as the Court may direct.

It shall not be competent for the parties to postpone by consent Postpone-10 the hearing of any action which has been fixed for hearing; but the Court ment of or a Judge may if the Court or Judge think it exceeding in the interest. or a Judge may, if the Court or Judge think it expedient in the interests of justice, postpone or adjourn the hearing for such time and upon such terms, if any, as the Court or Judge shall think fit.

It shall be the duty of all parties to any cause or matter entered Informafor hearing to furnish without delay to the Registrar all available information tion to relating to any settlement, or likelihood of settlement, of the cause or matter, of settleor affecting the estimated length of the trial. ment, etc.

ORDER XXIII

TRIAL, JUDGMENT AND ORDERS

Proceedings at Trial

If when a trial is called on, neither party appears, the Court may Absence of 1. direct that the action be struck off the hearing list, and such action shall not parties. be capable of being further proceeded with except by leave of the Court or a Judge.

If, when a trial is called on, the plaintiff appears, and the defendant Default of does not appear, then the plaintiff may prove his claim, so far as the burden appearance by defend-ant at of proof lies upon him.

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3. If, when a trial is called on, the defendant appears, and the Default of plaintiff does not appear, the defendant, if he has no counterclaim, shall be appearance entitled to judgment dismissing the action, but if he has a counterclaim, then by plainhe may prove such counterclaim so far as the burden of proof lies upon him.

Any judgment obtained where one party does not appear at the Judgment trial may be set aside by the Court or a Judge upon such terms as may seem by default fit, upon an application made within fourteen days after the trial.

may be set aside on terms.

5. The Judge may, if he think it expedient for the interests of Adjournjustice, postpone or adjourn a trial for such time, and to such place, and upon ment of trial such terms, if any, as he shall think fit.

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б. The Judge may in all cases disallow any questions put in crossexamination of any party or other witness which may appear to him to be vexatious, and not relevant to any matter proper to be inquired into in the cause or matter.

Judgment 7. The Judge shall, at or after trial, direct judgment to be entered as he shall think right, and no motion for judgment shall be necessary in entered at order to obtain such judgment.

The Registrar, or other proper officer present at any hearing or 8. commencetrial, shall make a note of the times at which such hearing or trial shall commence and terminate respectively, and the time actually occupied thereby on each day on which the same shall take place, for communication to the taxing officer if required.

Judgments and Orders

9. A minute of every judgment or order shall be made by the Registrar.

10. (1) All judgments and all orders shall be prepared by the Registrar, unless the Court or a Judge shall otherwise order.

(2) The draft of any judgment prepared by the Registrar shall be delivered to the party entitled to the same which shall be returned by him to the Registrar within seven days with a note containing his approval or any observations he has to make thereon.

(3) The Registrar may require any of the parties to attend on him in order to settle the judgment and may refer any difficulty in settling the same for the directions of a Judge in chambers.

(4) Every judgment when drawn up shall be dated as of the day when such judgment is pronounced or order made, unless the Court or a Judge shall otherwise direct, and shall take effect from that date: Provided that by special leave of the Court or a Judge a judgment may be ante-dated or post-dated.

(5) After the draft has been settled by the Registrar the judgment or order shall be signed, sealed and filed by him and the date of such filing shall be entered on the judgment or order as the date of entry.

(6) Every judgment or order shall, unless otherwise ordered, be drawn up and entered within fourteen days from the date thereof.

11. (1) Notwithstanding the preceding rules of this Order the Registrar shall be at liberty, in any case in which he may think it expedient so to do, to draw, settle or pass the judgment, without notice to any party.

(2) If any judgment shall not have been drawn up and lodged within the time limited by these Rules the Registrar may report to the Judge in writing as to the reason why the provisions of these Rules in that respect

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Settling and pass-ing judgment or order without notice.

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Drawing up judgment or order.

Disallow-

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vexatious

questions in cross-

examination.

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or after trial. Times of

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have not been complied with, and whether in his opinion any and which of the parties or their solicitors are responsible for the delay, and thereupon the Judge may direct such parties or their solicitors to attend before him and may, unless a satisfactory explanation be forthcoming, make such order as to the payment of all or any part of the costs of drawing up and entering the judgment as he shall think fit. He may also direct that the judgment shall be deemed to have been entered when the same would have been entered in accordance with these Rules, but for such delay.

12.(1) Where an order has been made not embodying any special terms, What nor including any special directions, but simply enlarging time for taking orders need not any proceeding or doing any act or giving leave -

be drawn up.

- (a) for the issue of any writ other than a writ of attachment,
- (b) for the amendment of any writ or pleadings,
- (c) for the filing of any document, or
- (d) for any act to be done by any officer of the Court other than a solicitor,

it shall not be necessary to draw up such order unless the Court or a Judge shall otherwise direct; but the production of a note or memorandum of such order, signed by a Judge or the Registrar, shall be sufficient authority for such enlargement of time, issue, amendment, filing, or other act. A direction that the costs of such order shall be costs in any cause or matter shall not be deemed a special direction within the meaning of this rule. The solicitor of the person on whose application such order is made shall forthwith give notice in writing thereof to such person (if any) as would, if this rule had not been made, have been required to be served with such order.

(2) Subject to the provisions of sub-rule (1) of this rule when any pleading or other document is tendered for filing in pursuance of an order made by the Court or a Judge, it shall not be accepted for filing unless such order has been drawn up and entered.

Every judgment or order made in any cause or matter requiring Time to be 13 any person to do an act thereby ordered shall state the time, or the time after stated for service of the judgment or order within which the act is to be done, and upon doing any the copy of the judgment or order which shall be served upon the person act ordered to required to obey the same there shall be indorsed a memorandum in the words be done. or to the effect following

> "If you, the within-named A.B., neglect to obey this judgment (or order) by the time therein limited, you will be liable to process of execution for the purpose of compelling you to obey the same judgment (or order)."

Where any judgment directs the payment of money, the Court Payment 14. may for any sufficient reason, order that the same be paid by instalments with by instalor without interest. Such order may be made at the time of giving judgment ments. or at any time afterwards, and may be rescinded upon sufficient cause at any time.

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Interest.

15. Upon all debts or sums certain, payable by virtue of a written instrument at a certain time, the Court, shall, unless it sees good reason to the contrary, allow interest from the time when such debts or sums are due and payable provided notice in writing claiming interest has been given; or if no time of payment is specified, then from the time of demand in writing being made giving notice to the debtor that interest will be claimed from the date of such demand.

16. The Court may give judgment condemning either party in costs, losses, damages and expenses, and afterwards assess the amount upon evidence directed to the ascertainment thereof, or by consent of the parties the amount may be ascertained by an arbitrator or otherwise.

Where damages are to be assessed in respect of any continuing 17. cause of action, they shall be assessed down to the time of the assessment.

closed, if some material issue is in the opinion of the Court unproved, so that

a judgment could not be given upon such issue in favour of the party on whom the proof thereof lies, the Court shall not give a judgment of non-suit, but in all such cases give a definite judgment in accordance with the evidence and

before any fresh proceedings are taken in respect of the same cause of action

and any action commenced before such costs have been fully paid may be

plaintiff's claim. Such consent if not given before the Court or Judge shall be in writing and signed by the defendant, his solicitor or counsel; and if signed by the defendant alone shall be so signed in the presence of the Registrar, and no order for entering judgment shall be made by consent

In every case where the evidence upon the hearing has been

Subject to particular rules any judgment by default, unless the

Whenever costs are ordered to be paid, such costs shall be paid

A defendant may, at any time after the service upon him of the

Judgment to be definite.

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stayed by order of the Court or a Judge.

Effect of judgment

Payment of

Judgment by consent. writ of summons, consent to judgment either for the whole or any part of the

Consent to be filed.

22. Every consent in writing shall be filed in the Registry and the Court or Judge shall, unless it or he sees good reason to the contrary, give judgment in terms of such consent.

Judgment The provisions of the two preceding rules shall apply, mutatis by consent. mutandis, where a plaintiff consents to judgment for the whole or any part of a counterclaim.

unless the requirements of this rule have been satisfied.

24. Whenever a judgment shall be satisfied, if an application be made by the plaintiff and the defendant to the Registrar in a summary way, an entry of satisfaction shall be made on the original judgment by the Registrar

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Assessment of damages.

Damages in respect of continuing cause of action.

Court otherwise directs, shall have the effect of a judgment upon the merits by default. for the plaintiff.

costs.

Counterclaim.

Entry of satisfaction.

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at the cost of the defendant. If the plaintiff refuse or neglect to join in having such entry made, the defendant may apply by summons to the Court or a Judge for an order to have such entry made.

ORDER XXIV

EXHIBITS

1. (1) The Registrar shall take charge of every document or object put List of in as an exhibit during the trial of an action, and shall mark or label every exhibits. exhibit with a letter or letters indicating the party by whom the exhibit is put in (or where more convenient the witness by whom the exhibit is proved) and with a number, so that all the exhibits put in by a party (or proved by a witness) are numbered in one consecutive series.

(2) The Registrar shall cause a list of all the exhibits in the action to be made.

(3) The list of exhibits when completed shall be attached to the proceedings and shall form part of the record of the action.

(4) For the purpose of this Order a bundle of documents may be treated and counted as one exhibit.

(5) In this rule a witness by whom an exhibit is proved includes a witness in the course of whose evidence the exhibit is put in.

2. Exhibits in an action shall be kept in the custody of the Registrar Custody of until the expiration of the time for appealing against any judgment or order exhibits in the action, and if at the expiration of such time an appeal against such after trial. judgment or order is pending, then until the final determination of such appeal, after which date the Registrar shall, unless otherwise ordered by the Court or a Judge, return such exhibits on demand to the respective parties on whose behalf they were put in: Provided that if he is satisfied that it is expedient to do so the Registrar may return an exhibit to a party on whose behalf it was put in at any earlier time on his taking, so far as is practicable, regard being had to the nature of the exhibit, a copy of the same, or of the relevant parts of the same, and obtaining an undertaking in writing from such party that he will keep the exhibit duly marked and labelled as before and, in the event of an appeal, produce it so marked and labelled at the hearing of the appeal in case he is required by the appellate tribunal so to do.

3. (1) Any party may apply for and on payment of the prescribed fee Office copy obtain an office copy of the list of exhibits for the purpose of an appeal. of list of exhibits.

(2) Where there is an appeal, the appellant shall include an office copy of the list of exhibits amongst the documents supplied to the proper officer of the apellate Court for the purpose of the appeal.

ORDER XXV

EXECUTION

1. (1) The process for the execution of any judgment shall be by writ Execution signed by the Registrar and addressed to the Sheriff or his lawful deputy.

(2) A writ of execution shall be in Form 15 of Appendix A to these $_{Form 15}$. Rules with such variations as circumstances may require.

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therein.

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2. Any such process shall be invalid if a wrong person is named therein as a party, but no such process shall be invalid merely by reason of the misspelling of name therein or by error as to date.

ORDER XXVI

SECURITY FOR COSTS

1. (1) A plaintiff ordinarily resident outside the Federation may be ordered to give security for costs notwithstanding that he may be temporarily resident within the Federation.

(2) A defendant setting up a counterclaim not arising out of the applicant's claim may be ordered to give security for costs in like manner as an applicant making the claim might be so ordered.

(3) When security for costs is required or ordered the security shall be of such amount, and be given at such time and in such manner or form, as the Court or a Judge directs.

(4) Where a bond is to be given as security for costs, it shall, unless the Court or a Judge otherwise directs, be given to the Registrar of the Court.

(5) Nothing in this Order shall be deemed to deprive the Court of any power which it would otherwise have to order any party to give security for costs.

ORDER XXVII

TRANSFER AND CONSOLIDATION OF ACTIONS

1. A Judge may, at the request or with the consent of any other Judge before whom a cause or matter is pending, hear such cause or matter or any application therein, and for that purpose it shall not be necessary that any order for transfer shall be made or consent of the parties obtained.

If it be established to the satisfaction of the Court or a Judge that it will be convenient or that time or costs will be saved, the Court or a Judge may, on the application of any party, direct that two or more actions be consolidated and heard together; or where it appears that the legal liability of several defendants to separate actions will be decided by the judgment to be given in any one of such actions, the Court or a Judge may direct that further proceedings in all of such actions, save one, may be stayed until final judgment be given in the action which proceeds, on such terms as to the defendants to the actions which are stayed consenting to be bound, so far as their legal liability is concerned, by such judgment, or otherwise as to the Court or Judge shall seem just.

ORDER XXVIII

MOTIONS AND OTHER APPLICATIONS

Where by these Rules any application is authorised to be made 1. to the Court or a Judge, such application shall be made by motion in Court, unless under Order XXIX or any other Order, the application may be on summons in chambers.

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Power of one Judge to hear cause or matter for another.

Consolidation of causes or matters.

Application by motion.

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2. Except where by rules of Court it is provided that an order may Where be made absolute ex parte in the first instance, and except where a motion notice of motion the first instance. or application to show cause only may be made, no motion shall be made be given. without previous notice to the parties affected thereby. But the Court or a Judge, if satisfied that the delay caused by proceeding in the ordinary way would or might entail irreparable or serious mischief, may make any order ex parte upon such terms as to costs or otherwise, and subject to such undertaking, if any, as the Court or Judge may think just; and any party affected by such order may move to set it aside.

Unless the Court or a Judge give special leave to the contrary Length of 3. there must be at least four clear days between the service of a notice of motion notice of motion. and the day named in the notice for hearing the motion.

If on the hearing of a motion or other application the Court or a Motions Judge shall be of opinion that any person to whom notice has not been given may be ought to have or to have had such notice, the Court or Judge may either adjourned or disdismiss the motion or application, or adjourn the hearing therof, in order that missed such notice may be given, upon such terms, if any, as the Court or Judge may where necesthink fit to impose.

sary notice not given.

appearing.

Form 16.

The hearing of any motion or application may from time to time Adjournbe adjourned upon such terms, if any, as the Court or Judge may think fit. ment of hearing.

The plaintiff shall, without any special leave, be at liberty to serve Service of 6. any notice of motion or other notice or any petition or summons upon any notice on defendant, who, having been duly served with a writ of summons to appear, defendant has not appeared within the time limited for that purpose. with writ, but not

7. The plaintiff may, by leave of the Court or a Judge to be obtained Service ex parte, serve any notice of motion upon any defendant, along with a writ of notice of motion of summons or at any time after service of the writ of summons and before with writ. the time limited for the appearance of such defendant.

A notice of motion shall be in Form 16 of Appendix A of these Form of notice of rules with such variations as circumstances may require. motion.

ORDER XXIX

APPLICATIONS AND PROCEEDINGS IN CHAMBERS -**SUMMONSES**

The business to be disposed of in chambers by the Judge shall Business in .1. consist of the following matters, in addition to the matters which under any chambers. other rule or by any law of the Federal Legislature or statute may be disposed of in chambers :---

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- (1) applications
 - (a) for payment or transfer to any person of any cash or securities standing to the credit of any cause or matter where there has been a judgment or order declaring the rights or where the title depends only upon proof of the identity or the birth, marriage or death of any person;
 - (b) for payment or transfer to any person of any cash or securities standing to the credit of any cause or matter or for the distribution of any moneys paid into Court under any law;
 - (c) for payment to any person of the dividend or interest on any securities standing to the credit of any cause or matter, whether to a separate account or otherwise;
 - (d) for the investment of any funds paid into Court under any law or Order of the Court;
 - (e) for or relating to the sale by auction or private contract of property, and as to the manner in which the sale is to be conducted, and for payment into Court and investment of the purchase money;
 - (f) for the review of taxing officer's decision;
 - (g) for time to plead, for leave to amend pleadings, for discovery and production of documents, and generally all applications relating to the conduct of any cause or matter;
- (2) proceedings under Order XXI;

(3) such other matters as the Judge may think fit to dispose of at chambers.

2. (1) Every application at chambers not made ex parte shall be made Applications to be by summons. by sum-

Form of summons. Form 17.

mons.

(2) A summons shall be in Form 17 of Appendix A of these Rules with such variations as circumstances may require.

Ex parte applications.

Service of

summons.

(3) Ex parte applications shall be made upon affidavit alone except in cases where the application is for payment or transfer out of count made ex parte and every other application made ex parte in which the Judge shall think fit so to require shall be made by summons.

Every summons, not being an originating summons to which an 3. appearance is required to be entered, shall be served four clear days before the return thereof, unless in any case it shall be otherwise ordered; Provided that in case of summonses for time only, the summons may be served on the day previous to the return thereof.

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Where any of the parties to a summons fail to attend, whether Proceeding upon the return of the summons, or at any time appointed for the consideration ex parte or further consideration of the matter, the Judge may proceed ex parte, if, where any considering the nature of the case, he think it expedient so to do; no affidavit to attend. of non-attendance shall be required or allowed, but the Judge may require such evidence of service as he may think just.

Where the Judge has proceeded ex parte, such proceedings shall Re-5. not in any manner be reconsidered in the Judge's chambers, unless the Judge considerashall be satisfied that the party failing to attend was not guilty of wilful delay tion of exparte pro-or negligence; and in such case the costs occasioned by his non-attendance ceedings. shall be in the discretion of the Judge, who may fix the same at the time, and direct them to be paid by the party or his solicitor before he shall be permitted to have such proceeding reconsidered, or make such other order as to such costs as he may think just.

6. Where a proceeding in chambers fails by reason of the non-Costs attendance of any party, and the Judge does not think it expedient to proceed thrown away by ex parte, the Judge may order such an amount of costs (if any) as he shall nonthink reasonable to be paid to the party attending by the absent party or by attendance of any his solicitor personally. party.

7. Where matters in respect of which summonses have been issued Further are not disposed of upon the return of the summons, the parties shall attend attendance from time to time without further summons, at such time or times as may be mons not appointed for the consideration or further consideration of the matter. fully dis-posed of.

In every cause or matter where any party thereto makes any What 8. application at chambers, either by way of summons or otherwise, he shall matters to be at liberty to include in one and the same application all matters upon which be in-he then desires the order or directions of the Judge; and upon the hearing of same sumsuch application it shall be lawful for the Judge to make any order and give mons. any directions relative to or consequential on the matter of such application as may be just.

Any application may, if the Judge thinks fit, be adjourned from Adjourn-Chambers into Court or from Court into Chambers.

10. In any cause or matter on the application of any party thereto, any Disposal Judge may, and, if the circumstances require it, shall hear and dispose of any of application therein on behalf of any other Judge by whom the application Judge for Judge may, and, if the circumstances require it, shall hear and dispose of any of business would otherwise have been heard.

A summons in all cases of applications originating in chambers, Issue of or an originating summons, shall be prepared by the applicant or his solicitor, summons. and shall be sealed in the Registry, and when so sealed shall be filed and shall then be deemed to be issued. The person presenting the summons to be filed shall leave at the Registry a copy or copies thereof, as the case may be, for service which shall be certified by the Registrar and sealed with the seal of the Court.

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ment into Court, or into Chambers.

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13. An order made upon a summons shall be in Form 18 of Appendix A to these Rules with such variations as circumstances may require. It shall be sealed and marked with the name of the Judge by whom it was made.

14. (1) An appeal from the decision of a Judge in Chambers in any interlocutory matter shall lie to the Court which shall consist of two or more judges.

(2) Every appeal to the Court under this rule shall be by motion and shall be made within eight days of the decision appealed against or such further time as may-be allowed by the Court.

(3) The notice of motion shall be served two clear days before the day named in the notice for hearing.

ORDER XXX

APPLICATIONS ON ORIGINATING SUMMONS

1. Any person claiming to be interested under a deed, will, or other written instrument, may apply by originating summons for the determination of any question of construction arising under the instrument and for a declaration of the rights of the persons interested.

2. Any person claiming any legal or equitable right in a case where the determination of the question whether he is entitled to the right depends upon a question of construction of any law of the Federation or of a Territory. may apply by originating summons for the determination of such question of construction, and for a declaration as to the right claimed.

3. The Court or a Judge may direct such persons to be served with the summons as they or he may think fit.

e. 4. The application shall be supported by such evidence as the Court or a Judge may require.

5. The Court or a Judge shall not be bound to determine any such question of construction if in their or his opinion it ought not to be determined on originating summons.

6. (1) Where by any law or rule of Court it is provided that an application to the Court shall be made by an "originating motion" such application shall be made by originating summons or by petition.

(2) Before the issue of an originating summons not inter partes the person intending to issue the same shall apply ex parte by affidavit to a Judge in Chambers for a direction as to the persons (if any) to be served.

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Construction of deed, etc.

Construction of laws.

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Evidence.

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Issue and service of originating summons.

Directions as to persons to be served.

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Form of Order. Form 18.

Appeals from chambers.

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(3) The provision of these Rules as to service of a writ of summons shall apply to originating summonses as far as is practicable.

An originating summons shall be in Forms 19, 20 or 21 of Form of 7. Appendix A to these Rules with such variations as circumstances may require. originating

summons. Forms 19, 20 and 21.

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The parties served with an originating summons shall, except as Appearance 8. hereinafter provided, before they are heard, enter appearance at the Registry to and give notice thereof. A party so served may appear at any time before the originating hearing of the summons. If he appears at any time after the time limited by the summons for appearance he shall not, unless the Court or a Judge shall otherwise order, be entitled to any further time for any purpose, than if he had appeared according to the summons.

The day and hour for attendance under an originating summons Attendance to which an appearance is required to be entered shall after appearance be fixed under origiby notice sealed with the seal of the Court. Such notice shall be in Form 22 nating of Appendix A to these Rules. The notice shall be served on the defendant $_{\text{Form 22}}^{\text{summons.}}$ or respondent by delivering a copy thereof at the address for service named in the memorandum of appearance of such defendant or respondent not less than four clear days before the return day.

ORDER XXXI

APPLICATIONS FOR MANDAMUS OR PROHIBITION

In this order the expression "prerogative order" means an order Meaning of us or of prohibition or an order for injunction made in proceedings "prerogaof mandamus or of prohibition or an order for injunction made in proceedings "prein lieu of information in the nature of quo warranto. order".

Unless the Chief Justice otherwise directs proceedings for a writ Proceedor order under paragraph (1)(b) of article 80 of the Constitution shall be mandamus instituted, heard and determined in the Territory where the officer against or prohiwhom the writ or order is sought holds or has held office and, in the case of bition an authority, where such authority exercises or performs or has exercised or where instituted. performed its powers and duties.

In any proceedings for a prerogative order, no order nisi, rule Abolition 3. nisi, or summons to show cause shall be made, granted or issued.

of order nisi, rule nisi and summons to show cause.

4. (1) No application for a prerogative order shall be made unless leave Application therefor has been granted in accordance with this rule.

(2) An application for leave under this rule shall be made ex parte to not to be a Judge in Chambers, and shall be accompanied by a statement setting out the made withname and description of the applicant, the relief sought, and the grounds on ^{out leave.} which it is sought, and by affidavits verifying the facts relied on.

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for mandamus, etc.,

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(3) Where an application for leave under this rule is refused by a Judge in Chambers, the applicant may appeal in accordance with the provisions of these Rules relating to an appeal from chambers.

Form of (4) The statement referred to in paragraph (2) of this rule shall be statement. Form 23. in Form 23 of Appendix A to these Rules with such variations as circumstances may require.

5. (1) When leave has been granted to apply for a prerogative order, the application shall be made to not less than two Judges, except in vacation when it may be made by summons to a Judge in Chambers, and there shall, unless the Court or Judge granting leave has otherwise directed, be at least eight clear days between the service of the notice of motion or summons and the day named therein for the hearing.

(2) Unless, within fourteen days after leave has been granted, the notice or summons is put in the list for hearing, the leave shall lapse.

(3) The notice or summons shall be served on all persons directly affected, and an affidavit giving the names and addresses of, and the place and date of service on, all persons who have been served with the notice of motion or summons shall be filed before the notice or summons is put in the list for hearing, and, if any person who ought to be served has not been served, the affidavit shall state that fact and the reason why service has not been effected, and the affidavit shall be before the Court on the hearing of the motion or summons.

(4) If on the hearing of the motion or summons the Court or Judge is of the opinion that any person who ought to have been served therewith has not been served, whether or not he is a person who ought to have been served under the foregoing provisions of this rule, the Court or Judge may adjourn the hearing, in order that the notice or summons may be served on that person, upon such terms (if any) as the Court or Judge may direct.

(5) The notice of motion or the summons referred to in paragraph (1) of this rule shall be in Forms 24A or 24B of Appendix A to these Rules with such variations as circumstances may require.

motion or summons. Forms 24a and 24b. Statements

and affidavits.

Form of notice of

> 6. (1) Copies of the statement accompanying the application for leave shall be served with the notice of motion or summons, and copies of any affidavits accompanying the application for leave shall be supplied on demand and on payment of the proper charges, and no grounds shall, subject as hereafter in this rule provided, be relied upon or any relief sought at the hearing of the motion or summons except the grounds and relief set out in the said statement.

> (2) The Court or Judge may on the hearing of the motion or summons allow the said statement to be amended, and may allow further affidavits to be used if they deal with new matter arising out of the affidavits of any other party to the application, and where the applicant intends to ask to be allowed to amend his statement or use further affidavits, he shall give notice of his

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intention and of any proposed amendment of his statement, and shall supply on demand and upon payment of the proper charges copies of any further affidavits.

(3) Every party to the proceedings shall supply to any other party, on demand and on payment of the proper charges, copies of the affidavits which he proposes to use at the hearing.

7. On the hearing of any such motion or summons as aforesaid, any Right to be person who desires to be heard in opposition to the motion or summons and heard in opposition appears to the Court or Judge to be a proper person to be heard shall be opposition. heard, notwithstanding that he has not been served with the notice or summons, and shall be liable to costs in the discretion of the Court or Judge if the order should be made.

ORDER XXXII

SERVICE OF WRITS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS

An address for service pursuant to Orders V and VI may be Change of 1. changed by any party filing with the Registrar a notice in writing stating address for service. that he has changed his address for service and appointing some other place within the prescribed distance from the Registry as his address for service, and by serving upon the opposite party a copy of such notice. Until such notice is filed and such copy is served any document served at the original address for service shall be deemed to have been duly served.

Writs and other documents, except a warrant, may not be served Dies non on a holiday or between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. and no such service shall be valid.

Personal service is required of the following documents -3.

- (1) writs of summons and originating summons;
- (2) amended writ of summons before appearance, if amendment service. substantial;
- (3) notice of writ of summons for service out of the jurisdiction;
- (4) motions for any prerogative writ, or order and any other originating applications;
- (5) subpoenas and all documents required to be served on any person not a party to the proceedings and not yet served with any document referred to in paragraphs (1), (2), (3) or (4) of this rule:
- (6) any document in respect of which a Court or Judge orders personal service.

4. (1) Service of all documents (except subpoenas) requiring personal Manner of service shall be by the Sheriff except where otherwise ordered under rule 5 personal service. of this Order.

(2) Personal service shall be effected by handing to and leaving with the person to be served a copy of such document and, if asked, showing him the original or a sealed copy thereof. If the person to be served will not

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take such copy the Sheriff or person authorised to effect service shall tell him what the document contains and leave it as nearly as possible in his possession or control.

5. Where personal service of any document is ordered or otherwise Substituted required and it is made to appear to the Court or a Judge that prompt personal service cannot be effected, the Court or Judge may make such order for substituted or other service, or for the substitution of notice for service by letter, public advertisement or otherwise, as may be just. Any such order may be made on application ex parte.

> б. No service of any writ of summons or originating summons shall be required when the defendant by his solicitor undertakes in writing to accept service, and enters an appearance.

> 7. (1) All documents required to be served on the Federation or on a Territory may be served on the person who may legally sue or be sued on behalf of the Federation or of a Territory having regard to the nature of the proceedings. Where such person is the Attorney General of the Federation or of a Territory, such service shall be on the Crown Solicitor if any, and if not, then on the Attorney General.

(2) All documents to be served on the Federation or on a Territory shall be treated for the purposes of these Rules as documents in respect of which personal service is not requisite.

(3) In this rule the expression "document" includes writs, notices, pleadings, orders, summonses, warrants and other documents, proceedings and written communications.

Service on an authority of the Federation or of a Territory.

Service when not personal service.

In the absence of any statutory provision regulating the service of process, a notice of motion for a prerogative writ or order under paragraph (1) (b) of article 80 of the Constitution against an authority of the Federation or of a Territory where such authority consists of a corporation aggregate or of a body of two or more persons, may be served on the head officer, clerk or secretary of such authority.

9 All documents not required to be served personally upon a party to any proceedings may be served -

- (a) by leaving the document within the prescribed hours at the address for service and, if no address for service is given, at the office of the person to be served, or of any agent whom he has nominated for the purpose, but in either case with a person belonging to the office where the document is left, or
- (b) by posting it in a prepaid registered envelope addressed to the person to be served or any such agent as aforesaid; and where service under this rule is made by registered post the time at which the document if so posted would be delivered in the ordinary course of post shall be considered as the time of service thereof.

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10. (1) Save where otherwise provided by a law of the Federal Person by Legislature or by rules of court, service of subpoenas and all documents not whom serrequiring personal service may be effected either by the Sheriff or by the effected legal representative of the party in whose interest the document is served and proof or by any responsible person in the employ of such representative.

(2) Where service has been effected by the Sheriff, proof of service shall be by a certificate purporting to be made by the Sheriff; and where service is effected by a legal representative or his responsible employee, proof of service shall be by an affidavit made by such representative or employee.

(3) The certificate or affidavit referred to in paragraph (2) of this rule shall state when, where and how such service was effected.

11. Where no appearance has been entered for a party, or where a Service party or his solicitor, as the case may be, has omitted to give an address for where no service as required by this Order and Orders V and VI, all writs, notices, or no pleadings, orders, summonses, warrants and other documents, proceedings, address for and written communications in respect of which personal service is not service. requisite may be served by filing them at the registry where the proceedings were instituted.

12. (1) Any document or communication which by any law, rule of Telegra-Court or agreement of parties, is required to be served on any person may be roopies. transmitted by telegraph, and a telegraphic copy may be served in the same manner as if it were the original and service of such copy shall have the same effect as if the original had been served.

(2) The person served with a telegraphic copy may require the person serving the document within a reasonable time after service of the telegraphic copy —

- (a) to have the original produced for his inspection and to receive a copy thereof; where the document is one requiring personal service; or
- (b) to receive the original where the document is one not requiring personal service.

(3) A Court or Judge on being satisfied that paragraph (2) of this rule has not been complied with may set aside the service of the telegraphic copy.

13. Delivery or service of pleadings, notices, summonses, orders, rules, Time of and other proceedings and written communications effected after the hour day for of four in the afternoon or on Saturdays after the hour of one in the afternoon service. shall, for the purpose of computing any period of time subsequent to such delivery or service, be deemed to have been effected on the following day, or in the case of Saturdays, on the following Monday.

14. Except in the case of an order for attachment, it shall not be Showing necessary to the regular service of an order that the original order be shown original order on if an office copy of it be exhibited.

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Service of notices from Supreme Court.

Service upon party formerly appearing in person.

Service upon solicitor of person not a party.

Indorsement on service.

Government of Federation or Territory exempted from payment of fees.

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15. Notices sent from any registry or office of the Court may be sent by post; and the time at which the notice so posted would be delivered in the ordinary course of post shall be considered as the time of service thereof, and the posting thereof shall be a sufficient service.

16. Where a party after having sued or appeared in person has given notice in writing to the opposite party or his legal representative, through a solicitor or legal representative, that such legal representative is authorised to act in the cause or matter on his behalf, all writs, notices, pleadings, summonses, orders, warrants, and other documents proceedings, and written communications which ought to be delivered to or served upon the party on whose behalf the notice is given shall thereafter be delivered to or served upon such legal representative.

> Where a person who is not a party appears in any proceeding 17. either before the Court or in Chambers, service upon the solicitor or legal representative by whom such person appears in the Territory where the proceedings were instituted whether such solicitor or legal representative act as principal or agent, shall be deemed good service except in matters requiring personal service.

> The person serving a writ of summons shall, within three days 18 at most after such service, indorse on the writ the day of the month and week of the service thereof, otherwise the plaintiff shall not be at liberty, in case of non-appearance, to proceed by default; and every affidavit of service and such writ shall mention the day on which such indorsement was made. This rule shall apply to substituted as well as other service.

ORDER XXXIII

FEES OF COURT

No fees shall be payable by the Federation or a Territory or any 1. person suing or being sued on behalf of the Federation or a Territory in respect of ---

> (a) any civil cause or matter to which the Federation or a Territory or any person so suing or being sued is a party; or

> (b) any suit instituted by or against the Federation or a Territory or any person so suing or being sued;

Provided that a judgment in favour of the Federation or a Territory or any person so suing or being sued for costs to be paid by any party, not being the Federation or a Territory or any person so suing or being sued, shall, unless the Court otherwise orders, include the amount of any fees which would have been payable if the suit had been brought or instituted by or against a private person.

Subject to the provisions of the preceding rule, the fees prescribed 2. Court in in Appendix B shall be charged in respect of the matters to which they are Appendix respectively assigned.

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ORDER XXXIV

TAXATION OF COSTS

The Registrar or such deputy registrar as the Registrar by general Fees of or special direction shall nominate shall be the Taxing Officer and in the legal practaxation of costs shall pursue such instructions as may from time to time be witnesses, given by the Court for that purpose. etc.

2. (1) Subject to the provisions of this Rule, a Taxing Officer when Legal taxing the fees for professional legal service shall --

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(a) unless the Court when awarding costs orders otherwise, allow fees. all such costs, charges and expenses as shall appear to him to have been necessary or proper for the attainment of justice or for the defending the rights of any party, but save as against the party who incurred the same, no costs shall be allowed which appear to the Taxing Officer to have been incurred or increased through over-caution, negligence or mistake, or by payment of special fees to counsel or special charges or expenses to witnesses or other persons, or by other unusual expenses;

(b) adhere to the Schedule of Allowances in Appendix C.

(2) In taxing party and party costs, the Taxing Officer shall also, unless the court when awarding costs orders otherwise, allow -

- (a) the reasonable fees consequent upon the engagement of counsel: Provided that he may disallow the fee of more than one counsel in unopposed matters and in matters in which counsel has not appeared on the other side;
 - (b) in any matter which does not conclude upon the first day, reasonable refreshers for each day subsequent to the first;
- (c) junior counsel's fee on the basis of two-thirds of the fee allowed to leading counsel (excluding travelling expenses and any special fee allowed to leading counsel) where fees to leading and junior counsel are allowed.

(3) The Taxing Officer may in exceptional cases and for good and sufficient reason depart from any of the provisions of the Schedule of Allowances contained in Appendix C, and in particular in the taxation of solicitor and client bills of costs, where strict adherence to such provisions would be inequitable.

3. (1) Witnesses requiring payment shall be paid for their attendance and Witnesses' travelling in accordance with the tariff prescribed in Appendix D.

charges and allow-

(2) The charges of witnesses as fixed by tariff are to be considered as ances. payable to the witnesses by the party who summoned or produced him, and in the event of any such party being awarded his costs against any other party, the said charges shall be allowed against such other party in the taxation of costs.

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(3) Any person applying to the Registrar for the issue of a subpoena to compel the attendance of any witness shall by endorsement on such subpoena accept responsibility for the payment of all expenses due to such witness, failing which no subpoena shall issue until the expense of such witness has first been deposited with the Registrar.

(4) In the taxation of costs between party and party no amount shall be allowed for any witness whether for attendance or travelling expenses unless there is produced to the Taxing Officer proof that such amount has already been paid or tendered to or claimed by such witness.

(5) In the taxation of costs between party and party nothing shall be allowed for any witness not examined unless upon proof that his evidence might reasonably have been believed to be material and necessary.

(6) If a number of witnesses manifestly greater than was reasonably necessary has been summoned by any party there shall only be allowed against the other party the charges for such witnesses as were reasonably necessary.

(7) In the taxation of costs between party and party no amount shall be allowed for any witness in respect of personal attendance or travelling expenses if the fact or facts which such witness is subpoenaed to prove have, before the issue of such subpoena, been admitted to the party taking out the subpoena by the opposite party: Provided that such admission shall be in writing, signed by the party making it or his legal representative, as the case may be.

(8) When the same person is a witness in more cases than one heard on the same day, he shall be entitled to no more than one fee for personal attendance and one allowance for travelling expenses, which shall be equally divided between such cases.

Fees of in- 4. The fees to be charged for interpreters, witnesses, special comterpreters, missioners and examiners shall be those set forth in Appendix D.

witnesses, etc. in Appendix D.

Taxation of costs.

5. (1) In all cases where a notice of taxation is necessary, seven days' notice together with a copy of the bill of costs shall be given by the legal practitioner of the party whose costs are to be taxed to the other party or his legal practitioner. Where the party has not appeared no copy of the bill of costs need be sent.

(2) In the taxation of costs, where the circumstances warrant the same, the notice of taxation with a copy of the bill of costs may be transmitted to the party appearing in person by registered post.

Solicitor and client costs. 6. The Taxing Officer shall, at the request of any legal practitioner or the person on whose instructions the services were rendered, tax as between solicitor and client a bill of costs for services connected with any proceedings in the Court:

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Provided that, unless the client's written consent is endorsed upon the bill of costs, the Taxing Officer shall not proceed to taxation of such bill of costs unless the client has received reasonable notice of the time and place of taxation.

The Taxing Officer shall have authority to arrange and direct what Attendance 7. parties are to attend before him on the taxation of costs to be borne by a fund of taxaor estate, and to disallow the costs of any party whose attendance the Taxing tion. Officer shall in his discretion consider unnecessary.

8. Any party who may be dissatisfied with the allowance or $\frac{\text{Objections}}{\text{to}}$ disallowance by the Taxing Officer, in any bill of costs taxed by him, of the Taxation. whole or any part of any items, may, at any time before the certificate or Review. allocatur is signed, or such earlier time as may in any case be fixed by the Taxing Officer, deliver to the other party interested therein, and carry in before the Taxing Officer, an objection in writing to such allowance or disallowance, specifying therein by a list, in a short and concise form the objections and may thereupon apply to the Taxing Officer to review the taxation in respect of the same. The Taxing Officer may, if he shall think fit, issue, pending the consideration of such objections, a certificate of taxation or allocatur for or on account of the remainder of the bill of costs and such further certificate or allocatur as may be necessary shall be issued by the Taxing Officer after his decision upon such objections.

Upon such application the Taxing Officer shall reconsider and Review of review his taxation upon such objections, and he may, if he shall think fit, Taxing receive further evidence in respect thereof, and, if so required by either party, Officer. he shall state either in his certificate of taxation or allocatur, or by reference to such objection, the grounds and reasons of his decision thereon, and any special facts or circumstances relating thereto. The Taxing Officer may tax the costs of such objections and add them to or deduct them from any sum payable by or to any party to the taxation.

Any party who may be dissatisfied with the certificate or allocatur Review of of the Taxing Officer, as to any item or part of an item which may have been decision of the objected to as aforesaid, may within fourteen days from the data of the objected to as aforesaid, may within fourteen days from the date of the Officer certificate or allocatur or such other time as the Court or Judge, or Taxing Officer, at the time he signs his certificate or allocatur, may allow, apply to a Judge at Chambers for an order to review the taxation as to the same item or part of an item, and the Judge may thereupon make such order as the Judge may think just; but the certificate or allocatur of the Taxing Officer shall be final and conclusive as to all matters which shall not have been objected to in manner aforesaid.

The Taxing Officer may, without filing any formal documents, Reference submit any point arising at a taxation for decision by a Judge in Chambers, to Judge and it shall be competent for the Taxing Officer and for the legal practitioners in Chambers. who appeared at the taxation to appear before the Judge respecting such point.

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ORDER XXXV

SUBPOENA

Where it is intended to sue out a subpoena, a practipe for that

Forms of practipe for a subpoena. Form 25.

Deposit of expenses by party.

Form of writ of subpoena. Forms 26, 27 and 28.

Consent of Judge for subpoena of witness on foreign law, etc.

Discretion of Judge.

Subpoena

restricted

to four persons. purpose in Form 25 in Appendix A, and containing the name or firm and the place of business or residence of the solicitor intending to sue out the same, and, where such solicitor is agent only, then also the name or firm and place of business or residence of the principal solicitor, shall in all cases be delivered and filed at the Registry.

2. Where a party is suing in person he shall at the request of the Registrar and before issue of the subpoena deposit with the Registrar such sum as the Registrar shall fix as being calculated to cover the reasonable expenses of all persons named in the subpoena.

3. A writ of subpoena shall be prepared by the party desiring to issue it and shall be in one of the Forms 26 to 28 in Appendix A, with such variations as circumstances may require.

4. It shall not be competent for any party to compel the attendance of any witness for the purpose of giving evidence of his opinion only on any question of foreign law, usage or custom without the consent in writing of a Judge having been first had and obtained.

5. It shall be competent for any Judge on being applied to for his consent as in the preceding rule mentioned either to withhold such consent or to grant the same on such terms, as to the payment or tender of allowances to the witness and as to the amount of such allowances, as to such Judge seems fit and reasonable.

6. Every subpoena other than a subpoena duces tecum may contain four names where necessary or required.

Subpoena 7. No more than three persons shall be included in one subpoena duces tecum duces tecum and the party suing out the same shall be at liberty to sue out a subpoena duces tecum for each person if it is necessary or desirable persons.

Attachment of witness in default.

to be served. 8. Any person having been duly served with a subpoena a reasonable time before the date on which he is required by it to attend at the place named, and his reasonable expenses having been paid or tendered to him and not having any lawful impediment, will on his default be liable to be attached, fined and imprisoned for his contempt of the process of the Court, without prejudice to any other claim or remedy the party aggrieved by his default may by law have against him on that account.

Within 9. The service of any subpoena shall be of no validity if not made what time within twelve weeks after the teste of the writ.

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10. Every subpoena shall remain in force from the date of issue until Duration of the trial of the action or matter in which it is issued.

ORDER XXXVI

CONTEMPT OF COURT

1. The institution by a party of proceedings for contempt of Court Proceedshall be made by notice of motion to the person against whom the contempt of ings for contempt by notice

by notice of motion.

2. Such notice of motion shall set forth distinctly the grounds of Contents complaint and shall be supported by an affidavit of the facts.

3. Nothing in rules 1 and 2 of this Order contained shall affect the Contempt power of the Court to deal summarily with a contempt of Court committed in Court's presence without any written charge or notice to the offender.

4. Where the Court or a Judge has imposed a fine for contempt of Writ for Court, the Registrar shall furnish the Sheriff with the particulars of such fine recovery of a and deliver to him a writ with such variations as the circumstances of the case require. Immediately on delivery of such writ the Sheriff shall execute the same in terms thereof.

5. Where the Court or a Judge orders a person to be committed to Writ of prison or imposes a sentence of imprisonment for contempt of Court, the committal. Registrar shall furnish the Sheriff or a constable or other peace officer, with a writ of personal attachment and committal to prison. Immediately on delivery of such writ the Sheriff or any constable or other peace officer to whom it is delivered, shall execute the same.

ORDER XXXVII

SHORTHAND RECORDS

1. (1) At the trial of any action or at the hearing of any application Shorthand where oral evidence is admitted the oral evidence may be taken down by a writers. competent shorthand writer, approved by the Court.

(2) Such approval may only be given if the remuneration of the shorthand writer is provided by law from the public funds or by one or more parties to the proceedings.

2. Every shorthand writer employed for the above purpose shall be Oath or deemed to be an officer of the Court, and shall, before entering on his duties, affirmatake before a Judge an oath or affirmation in the form prescribed in rule 3.

3. The oath or affirmation to be taken by a shorthand writer shall be Form of oath or affirma-

"I, A.B., do swear by Almighty God/affirm that I will faith-^{tion}. fully, accurately and to the best of my ability take down in shorthand as directed by the Judge, the proceedings in any case

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in which I may be employed as an officer of the Court, and that I will similarly, when required to do so, transcribe the same or any other notes taken by any officer of the Court."

Certification of notes and transcriptions.

Certified notes, etc., deemed to be correct.

Order for transcription. 4. The shorthand notes taken as above directed shall be certified by the shorthand writer as correct, and shall be filed with the Registrar. It shall not be necessary to transcribe them unless a Judge, or the Registrar acting under the authority of a Judge, so directs. If and when transcribed then the transcript of such notes shall be certified as correct by the transcribing shorthand writer, and the transcript shall be filed with the Registrar in lieu of the shorthand notes.

5. The shorthand notes so certified as correct, or the transcript similarly certified, as the case may be, shall be deemed to be correct unless the Court otherwise orders, and they shall constitute a part of the records of the Court.

6.(1) For the purpose of further proceedings, a party to a matter in which the services of a shorthand writer have been utilized may apply through the Registrar to have the shortand notes transcribed, if an order to that effect has not already been made.

(2) Any such party shall be entitled to a copy of any transcript ordered to be made upon payment of such fees and upon compliance with such terms as the Registrar may, with the approval of a Judge, require.

ORDER XXXVIII

REGISTRIES

Central Registry and subregistries. 1. There shall be established a Central Registry of the Federal Supreme Court, and sub-registries as follows :---

- at the principal registries of the Supreme Court in the Territories of Jamaica, Trinidad and Tobago, Barbados and the Turks and Caicos Islands;
- (2) at the registry of the Supreme Court of the Leeward Islands and of the Windward Islands in the Territories of Grenada, St. Vincent, St. Lucia, Dominica, Artigua, Saint Christopher, Nevis and Montserrat;
- (3) at the registry of the Grand Court of the Cayman Islands.

2. (1) The Registrar shall be present and control the business of the Central Registry and shall give directions to deputy registrars with regard to the practice and procedure relating to the business of sub-registries.

Registrar (2) Each sub-registry shall be in the charge of a deputy registrar who and deputy shall, subject to the directions of the Registrar, be present and control the registrars. business of the sub-registry.

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3. The deputy registrar, subject to the direction of the Registrar, Deputy may exercise and perform all or any of the powers and duties of the Registrar, to perform and sign any documents which the Registrar is required by these Rules to duties of sign.

4. The Registrar and deputy registrars shall by virtue of their office Taking of have power to take oaths and affidavits in the Federal Supreme Court and oaths and the like power may be exercised by any person duly authorised by or under affidavits. the law in operation in a Territory to administer oaths for the purpose of a superior court of that Territory.

5. The official seals to be used in the Registries shall be such as Seals of the Chief Justice from time to time directs. Registry.

6. The Registrar shall not be required to sign any document other Documents requiring signature.

All judgments and orders

All payment vouchers.

All writs and orders for execution of whatever nature

Bench warrants

Commitments.

With the exception of the above documents a sealed copy shall be evidence of the authenticity of all documents other than those hereby required to be signed by the Registrar.

7. All proceedings or documents filed or issued shall be stamped with How prothe seal of the Registry or sub-registry, and shall bear the date of the filing ceedings to be filed.

8. All proceedings to be filed shall be brought in to the Registry or How prosub-registries together with a copy thereof. The original and the copy shall ceedings to be sealed with an official seal, whereupon the original shall be filed and the be filed. copy handed out to the party filing the same. Such sealed copy shall be evidence of the contents of the original filed and such sealed copy shall be produced at all times when required by the Court or a Judge or by the Registrar.

9. (1) The Registrar shall keep at the Central Registry a Record Book Record of all actions, suits and proceedings under paragraph (1)(b) of article 80 of Books. the Constitution whenever instituted, heard or determined, and a deputy registrar shall keep a record book of any proceedings instituted in the sub-registry of which he has charge.

(2) A Record Book shall contain —

- (a) the number of the action, suit or application;
- (b) the names of the parties;
- (c) the date and place of hearing;
- (d) the names of advocates;
- (e) the subject matter of the action or of the application;
- (f) the judgment or order of the Court;
- (g) any subsequent proceedings and remarks.

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Covers

As soon as any proceedings are instituted for the exercise by the 10. Federal Supreme Court of its original jurisdiction, the Registrar shall prepare a cover in which pleadings or documents relating to the case shall be filed and on the front page thereof shall be recorded particulars of such pleadings or documents and the dates on which they are received.

Proper indexes of the titles of all actions and matters filed at the 11. Indexes to files to be Central Registry or sub-registry shall be kept, so that the same may be conveniently referred to when required; and such indexes shall, at all times during office hours, be accessible to the public.

Inspection of files.

Restrictions on

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Any person shall be allowed to inspect the file of documents or 12.proceedings in any action or matter on payment of the prescribed fee.

No affidavit or record of the Court shall be taken out of the Registry without the order of a Judge, and no subpoena for the production of any such document shall be issued except with the leave of a Judge. ments from

14. The deputy registrar of each Territory, when he has received any documents filed in his sub-registry, shall forward to the Registrar at the Forwarding copies of proceed-Central Registry a copy of such documents and shall notify the Registrar of all judgments pronounced and orders made in every proceeding in the subregistry as and when such judgments or orders shall be pronounced or made. Registry.

Money paid into Court under an order of the Court or a Judge Money paid shall not be paid out of Court except in pursuance of an order of the Court into Court on order. or a Judge.

ORDER XXXIX

RIGHT OF AUDIENCE

In all civil proceedings before the Court in the exercise of its 1. Right of original jurisdiction the parties may appear in person or be represented by audience. any person

> (a) who has a right of audience in proceedings before the superior court of the Territory in which the proceedings were instituted,

> (b) is a member of one of the Inns of Court and has the right of audience before a superior court of a Territory.

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APPENDIX A

FORM 1

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

GENERAL FORM OF WRIT OF SUMMONS

Central Registry or Subregistry of (Territory).

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No.

Between

A.B.

Plaintiff

Defendant(s).

and C.D. (and E.F.)

Elizabeth the Second, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain, Northern Ireland, and of Her other Realms and Territories, Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith.

To C.D., of

(full address).

We command you, that within ten days (or the number of days directed by the Court or Judge ordering service) after the service of this writ on you, inclusive of the day of such service, you do cause an appearance to be entered for you in an action at the suit of A.B., and take notice that in default of your so doing the plaintiff may proceed therein, and judgment may be given in your absence.

Witness, The Honourable

Justice of The West Indies, the

day of

, Chief

in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and

The defendant (or defendants) may appear hereto by entering an appearance or appearances) either personally or by solicitor at the Central Registry at Trinidad or sub-registry at (Territory).

(Indorsements to be made on the writ before issue thereof)

The plaintiff's claim is for, etc.	 .»
This writ was issued by A.B. of	, whose
address for service is	 This approxim
This writ was issued by G.H. of	 , whose
address for service is	, solicitor for
the said plaintiff, who resides at	
or	
This writ was issued by J.K. of	, whose
address for service is	 , agent for
of	, solicitor for

the said plaintiff, who resides at

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(And if authorization be indorsed)

I authorize the abovenamed G.H. to act as my solicitor in the matter.

(Signed) A.B.

(Indorsement to be made on writ after service thereof)

This writ was served by me at on the defendant personally or by (state method of service) on the 19 day of day of , 19 The

Marshal or Sheriff.

FORM 2

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

MEMORANDUM OF APPEARANCE (Title as in Form 1)

day of

Enter an appearance for Dated the

in this action. 19

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(Signed)

Defendant

or

Solicitor for the above-named defendant.

This appearance is entered by whose address for service is at

or

This appearance is entered by of whose address for service and place of business is at Solicitor for the defendant who resides at

(Where the entry of appearance limits the defence insert the following after the words "this action" above).

The said defendant limits his defence to part only of the property mentioned in the writ of summons, namely, to (describe the part of the property to which the defence is limited).

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O. IX, r. 1(3).

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

MEMORANDUM OF APPEARANCE TO NOTICE (Title as in Notice)

Enter an appearance forto the noticeissued in this action on theday of19by the defendant, under theprovisions of Order IX, rule 1(3) of the Federal Supreme Court (OriginalJurisdiction) Rules, 1958.

Dated the day of 19. (Signed).

This appearance etc.

Between

A.B.

and C.D.

and E.F. FORM 4

O. IX, r. 2.

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

THIRD PARTY NOTICE (Title as in Form 1)

Plaintiff

Defendant

Third Party.

day of

THIRD PARTY NOTICE

Issued pursuant to the Order of the Honourable Mr. Justice

, dated the

19

To E.F. of

TAKE NOTICE that this action has been brought by the plaintiff against the defendant. In it the plaintiff claims against the defendant (here state concisely the nature of the plaintiff's claim) as appears by the indorsement on the writ of summons (or statement of claim) a copy whereof is delivered herewith.

The defendant claims against you [*kere state concisely the nature of the claim against the third party as for instance* to be indemnified against the plaintiff's claim and the costs of this action or contribution to the extent of

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(one half) of the plaintiff's claim] or [the following relief or remedy namely on the grounds that (state concisely the grounds of the claim against the third party)].

And take notice that if you wish to dispute the plaintiff's claim against the defendant, or the defendant's claim against you, you must cause an appearance to be entered for you within ten days after the service of this notice upon you.

In default of your entering such appearance, you will be deemed to admit the plaintiff's claim against the defendant and the defendant's claim against you and your liability to *(indemnify the defendant or to contribute to the extent claimed or to stating the relief or remedy sought)* and the validity of any judgment that may be given in the action and you will be bound by such judgment and such judgment may be enforced against you pursuant to Order IX of the Federal Supreme Court (Original Jurisdiction) Rules, 1958.

Dated the

day of (Signed)

19

Solicitor for the defendants.

Appearance is to be entered at the Central Registry in Trinidad (or if the action is proceeding in a Territory, then at the Sub-Registry for such Territory).

O. XVIII, r. 2(2).

FORM 5

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

SUMMONS FOR DIRECTIONS

Between Plaintiff

and -

And generally the proceedings to be taken in the action and the costs of this application.

To: and

To the Registrar of the Federal Supreme Court.

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FORM 6

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

FORM OF INTERROGATORIES (Title as in Form 1)

Interrogatories on behalf of the above-named (plaintiff or defendant) for the examination of the abovenamed (defendant or plaintiff):

1. Did not etc.,

2. Has not etc.,

etc., etc., etc.

You are required to answer all the above interrogatories.

(The defendant interrogatories numbered The defendant interrogatories numbered

is required to answer the

is required to answer the

Dated the

day of

19.

Solicitor for

O. XIX, r. 7.

FORM 7

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FORM OF ANSWER TO INTERROGATORIES (Title as in Form 1)

The answer of the above-named to the interrogatories for his examination by the abovenamed In answer to the said interrogatories I the

2.

etc., etc., etc.

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O. XIX, r. 10.

FORM 8

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FORM OF AFFIDAVIT OF DOCUMENTS (Title as in Form 1)

, the above-named

I,

1. I have in my possession or power the documents relating to the matters in question in this suit set forth in the first and second parts of the First Schedule hereto.

2. I object to produce the said documents set forth in the second part of the said First Schedule hereto (state grounds of objection).

3. I have had, but have not now, in my possession or power the documents relating to the matters in question in this suit set forth in the Second Schedule hereto.

4. The last-mentioned documents were last in my possession or power on (state when, and what has become of them and in whose possession they now are).

5. According to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, I have not now, and never had in my possession, custody or power, or in the possession, custody or power of my solicitors or agents, solicitor or agent, or in the possession, custody or power of any other persons or person on my behalf, any deed, account, book of account, voucher, receipt, letter, memorandum, paper or writing, or any copy of or extract from any such document, or any other document whatsoever relating to the matters in question in this suit, or any of them or wherein any entry has been made relative to such matters, or any of them, other than and except the documents set forth in the said First and Second Schedules hereto.

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O. XIX, r. 14.

FORM 9

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

FORM OF NOTICE TO PRODUCE DOCUMENTS FOR INSPECTION (Title as in Form 1)

Take notice that the (plaintiff or defendant) requires you to produce for his inspection the following documents referred to in your (Statement of Claim or Defence, or affidavit sworn the day of 19).

Solicitor for the

day of

-

To:

Mr. Solicitor for the

Dated the

LIST OF DOCUMENTS

1. 2. etc., etc., etc.

O. XIX, r. 15.

19.

FORM 10

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

FORM OF NOTICE TO INSPECT DOCUMENTS (Title as in Form 1)

Take notice that you can inspect the documents mentioned in your noticeof theday of19 , (exceptthe deed numberedin that notice) at (insert place ofinspection) onnext theinstant betweenthe hours ofando'clock.Or, that the (Plaintiff or Defendant) objects to giving you inspection

of the documents mentioned in your notice of the day of 19 , on the ground that *(state the ground)* :---

Dated the

day of

Solicitor for the

19

To: Mr.

Solicitor for the

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O. XX, r. 2(2).

FORM 11

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NOTICE TO ADMIT DOCUMENTS (Title as in Form 1)

Between: Plaintiff and

...... Defendant

Dated this, 19....

Solicitor for the Plaintiff/Defendant.

TO:

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•	Description of Documents	Dates
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Description of Documents	Dates	Original or Duplicate served sent, or delivered when, how and by whom
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NOTICE TO ADMIT FACTS (Title as in Form 1).

Between: Plaintiff and

You are hereby notified that the Plaintiff/Defendant in this cause requires the Defendant/Plaintiff to admit, for the purposes of this cause only, the several facts respectively hereunder specified; and the Defendant/Plaintiff is hereby required within days from the service of this notice, to admit the said several facts, saving all just exceptions to the admissibility of such facts as evidence in this cause.

Dated this, 19....

Solicitor for the Plaintiff/Defendant.

To:---

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THE FACTS, THE ADMISSION OF WHICH IS REQUIRED, ARE :---

O. XX, r. 3(3).

FORM 13

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ADMISSION OF FACTS PURSUANT TO NOTICE (Title as in Form 1)

Between: Plaintiff and

Defendant

The Plaintiff/Defendant in this cause, for the purpose of this cause only, hereby admits the several facts respectively hereunder specified subject to the qualifications or limitations, if any, hereunder specified, saving all just exceptions to the admissibility of any such facts, or any of them, as evidence in this cause:

Provided that this admission is made for the purposes of this cause only, and is not an admission to be used against the Defendant/Plaintiff on any other occasion, or by anyone other than the Plaintiff/Defendant or party requiring the admission.

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Dated this..... day of 19...

Solicitor for the Defendant/Plaintiff.

O. XXII, r. 1(2).

O.XXV, r. 1(2).

Facts admitted					Qualifications or limitations, if any subject to which they are admitted.						
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FORM 14

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

FORM OF REQUEST FOR HEARING (Title as in Form 1)

The Registrar is hereby requested to enter this action on the Hearing List for hearing.

Three complete copies of the whole of the pleadings is delivered herewith. The hearing of this action is estimated to last day(s) or not less than day(s).

Dated the.....19... Solicitor for the

FORM 15

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

WRIT OF EXECUTION (Title as in Form 1)

Between: Plaintiff and

...... Defendant

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and of Our other Realms and Territories, Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith:

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To the Sheriff/Marshal/Bailiff of, Greeting: We command you that of the goods and chattels of you cause to be made the sum of \$.....and also interest thereon at the rate of \$..... per centum per annum from the of money and interest were lately before us in our Federal Supreme Court in a certain cause where is Plaintiff and by a judgment (or order) of our said Court bearing date the by the said to the said together with certain costs in the said judgment (or order) mentioned and which costs have been taxed and allowed by the Taxing Officer of our said Court at the sum of \$..... as appears by the certificate of the said Taxing Officer dated the day of day of 19.... And that of the goods and chattels of the said..... you cause to be made the sum of \$..... and that you have that money before us in our said Court immediately after the execution thereof to be paid to the said.....in pursuance of the said judgment (or order). And have this writ before us with whatsoever you have done thereupon. Witness: The Honourable Chief Justice of The West Indies this day of in the year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and.....

Registrar,

ENDORSEMENT

Levy \$for costs of
execution, etc., and also interest on \$at \$at
per centum per annum from theday of
19 until payment; besides Sheriff's poundage, officers' costs of levying and all other legal incidental expenses.
The writ was issued by
of Solicitor for
who resides at
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and resides at

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FORM[·] 16

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

NOTICE OF MOTION (Title as in Form 1)

Take Notice, that the Court will be moved on
day ofday, the
o'clock inday of19, ato'clock inthe forenoon, or so soon thereafter as counsel can be heard, by
Mr., of
counsel for the above-named (plaintiff
or defendant) thator defendant) that, and that the costs of this application
be

Dated the day of , 19 . (Signed) of agent for Solicitor for the

To:

O.XXIX, r. 2(2)

FORM 17

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

GENERAL FORM OF SUMMONS (Title as in Form 1)

Let all parties concerned attend the Judge in Chambers on day, the day of 19, at o'clock in the noon, on the hearing of an application on the part of for an order that, etc. (setting out the order to be applied for).

Dated the day of , 19.

This summons was taken out by of solicitor for

To:

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O. XXIX, r. 13. FORM 18

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

GENERAL FORM OF ORDER (Title as in Form 1)

Before the Honourable Mr. Justice , in Chambers the day of 19 Entered the day of 19 Upon hearing and upon reading the affidavit , filed the day of 19 of and It is ordered and that the costs of this application be

O. XXX, r. 7.

FORM 19

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

FORM OF ORIGINATING SUMMONS (Title as in Form 1)

(If the question to be determined arises in the administration of an estate or a trust entitle it also in the matter of the estate or trust).

Let of within ten days after service of this summons on him inclusive of the day of such service, cause an appearance to be entered for him to this summons, which is issued upon the application of

of who claims to be (state the nature of the claim) for the determination of the following questions: (State the questions)

Dated the day of 19 This summons was taken out by , solicitor for the abovenamed.

The defendant may appear hereto by entering appearance either personally or by solicitor at the Central Registry (or Sub-Registry).

Note: If the defendant does not enter appearance within the time and at the place above mentioned, such order will be made and proceedings taken as the Judge may think fit and expedient.

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O. XXX, r. 7.

FORM 20

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

FORM OF ORIGINATING SUMMONS NOT INTER PARTES (Title as in Form 1)

In the matter of the Trusts of the Will of A.B. And in the matter (or as the case may be).

of

Let

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of

within eight days after service of this summons on him, inclusive of the day of such service, cause an appearance to be entered for him to this summons, which is issued upon the application of

of

for an order

19

that (state the object of the application).

Dated the

day of

This summons was taken out by solicitor for the above-named

The respondent may appear hereto by entering appearance either personally, or by solicitor at the Central Registry (or Sub-Registry).

Note: If the respondent does not enter appearance within the time and at the place above mentioned, such order will be made and proceedings taken as the Judge may think fit and expedient.

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FORM 21

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

FORM OF EX PARTE ORIGINATING SUMMONS (Title as in Form 1)

In the matter of A.B., an infant (or as may be).

Let all the parties concerned attend the Judge in Chambers at the time specified in the margin hereof, on the hearing of an application on the part of the above-named

that, etc., (setting out the order to be applied for)

solicitor for the plaintiff.

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FORM 22

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

FORM OF NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO HEAR ORIGINATING SUMMONS (Title as in Forms 19 or 20).

This summons was taken out by

To (insert the name of the defendant or respondent).

Take notice that you are required to attend the Judge in Chambers on day of , 19 , at o'clock in the noon, for the hearing of the originating summons issued herein on the day of 19 , and that if you do not attend in person or by solicitor at the time and place mentioned, such order will be made and proceedings taken as the Judge may think just and expedient.

(Signed)

Solicitor for the Plaintiff (or applicant).

O.XXXI, r. 3(4).

FORM 23

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

In the matter of an applicaton by A.B. on behalf of *the Federal Government/the Government of (Territory) for leave to apply for an order of *mandamus/prohibition.

- The applicant A.B. holds the office of and makes the application on behalf of "The Federal Government" or "The Government of (Territory)".
- 2. The relief sought is an order "for mandamus directing prohibiting C.D. of C.D. of (address) and E.F. of

(address) and E.F. of (address) and E.F. of

- 3. The grounds on which the said relief is sought are as follows :----
- 4. The applicant A.B. applies for this order under the law in operation in (state Territory) and (state

in (state Territory) and (state Federal Act if relevant).

*Omit whichever is inapplicable.

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FORM 24A

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR MANDAMUS OR PROHIBITION

In the matter of an application for an order of *mandamus prohibition.

TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to the leave of the Honourable Mr.

Justice given on the day of 19 the Honourable Court will be moved on the day of 19

or so soon thereafter as Counsel can be heard on behalf of A.B.

for an order of *mandamus prohibition that (in terms of the relief sought in the Statement accompanying the affidavit filed in support of the application for leave to issue this Notice of Motion) upon the grounds set forth in the copy Statement served herewith used on the application for leave to issue this Notice of Motion.

AND THAT the costs of and occasioned by this Motion be

AND TAKE NOTICE that upon the hearng of the said Motion the said A.B. will use the affidavit of and the exhibits

therein referred to.

[AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE (if any proceedings have been stayed until the hearing of the Motion, so state)]

Dated the

day of

, 19

(Signed) Solicitor for the

To :

*Omit whichever is inapplicable.

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FORM 24B

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

SUMMONS FOR MANDAMUS OR PROHIBITION

The Honourable Mr. Justice Vacation Judge in Chambers.

In the matter of an application for an order of *mandamus prohibition.

of

Upon hearing Mr.

Counsel for and upon reading the

affidavit of filed herein :

Let all parties attend the Judge in Chambers at

on the day of 19, at o'clock

in the noon upon the hearing of an application on the part of A.B. for an order of *mandamus prohibition that (in terms of the relief sought in the Statement accompanying the affidavit filed in support of the application for leave to issue this summons) upon the grounds set forth in the copy Statement served herewith used on the application for leave to issue this summons.

And that the said C.D. be ordered to pay to the said A.B. the costs of and occasioned by this application.

Dated the day of 19 to the above-named C.D. and to Messrs. his solicitors.

*Omit whichever is inapplicable.

FORM 25

O. XXXV, r. 1.

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PRAECIPE FOR A SUBPOENA (Title as in Form 1)

Seal writ of subpoena

directed to

Returnable Dated the

the

day of

19

, on behalf of

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FORM 26

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SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM

Between: Plaintiff

and

..... Defendant

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and of Our other Realms and Territories, Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith : Τo (the names of three witnesses may be inserted)

Greeting:

We command you to attend before the Federal Supreme Court day the dav at on . 19 of , at the hour of in the noon, and so from day to day until the above cause is tried to give evidence on behalf of the , and also to bring with you and produce at the time and place aforesaid (specify documents to be produced). Witness: The Honourable Chief

Justice of The West Indies this day of 19

Registrar.

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FORM 27

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

HABEAS CORPUS AD TESTIFICANDUM

Between Plaintiff

and

..... Defendant

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and of Our other Realms and Territories Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith:

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To the Officer in charge of the Prison at We command you that you bring who it is said is detained in the prison under your custody, before at on day the day of , 19 at the hour of in the noon, and so from day to day until the above action is tried, to give evidence on behalf of the

And that immediately after the said shall have so given his evidence you safely conduct him to the prison from which he shall have been brought.

Witness: The Honourable, ChiefJustice of The West Indies atthisday of19

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, Chief

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FORM 28

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

SUBPOENA AD TESTIFICANDUM

Between Plaintiff

and

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and of Our other Realms and Territories, Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith: To (name of witness) of

Greeting:

	We	command	you	to	attend	before	the	Federal	Supreme	Court,
at			on			day	the			day of
					19 , at the hour of				in the	
	noon, and so from day to day until the above ca							cause is		

tried, to give evidence on behalf of the Plaintiff/Defendant.

Witness: The Honourable

Justice of The West Indies this

Registrar.

day of

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APPENDIX B

FEES OF COURT

Schedule of Fees referred to in Order XXXIII, Rule 2 to be taken in the Central Registry and/or Sub-Registries of the Federal Supreme Court.

	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	£.	S.	d. or \$	¢
1.	On sealing a writ of summons for commence-			+	Y .
	ment of an action or originating summons	1.	0.	0.	4.90
2	or application On sealing a concurrent, renewed or	1.	0.	0.	4.80
<u>ц</u> .	amended writ of summons or amended				
	originating summons		5.	0.	1.20
3.	On filing or sealing any notice not other-		-		
4	wise provided for		2.	[•] 6.	.60
4.	On sealing a writ of mandamus or pro- hibition	1.	0.	0.	4.80
5.	On sealing a writ of subpoena not exceeding	1.	0.	.	4,00
	three persons		5.	0.	. 1.20
6.	On sealing every other writ		10.	0.	2.40
7.	On every summons before a Judge		5.	0.	1.20
8.	On sealing a commission	1.	0.	0.	4.80
9.	On entering an appearance for each person		2.	6.	.60
10.					
	for the first folio (to consist of one hundred		1.	0.	.24
	words)		1.		
	For every other folio or part of a folio			6.	.12
12.	Commissioner's fee on taking oath to affidavit or affirmation in lieu of an affidavit				
	or declaration		2.	0.	.48
13.					
10.	therein referred to and required to be				
	marked		1.	0.	.24
14.	On filing every affidavit including exhibits			_	
	annexed not otherwise provided for		2.	6.	.60
15.	On filing every other document		2.	6.	.60
16.					
	a pleading, affidavit or proceeding having been entered, filed or taken, or of the				
	negative thereof		2.	6.	.60
17.	On setting down any cause for assessment				
17.	of damages or for hearing before the Court	1.	1.	0.	5.04
18.	On filing every motion to the Court, to				
	include fee on setting down for hearing		15.	0.	3.60
19.	On every judgment after trial or on appeal	1.	0.	0.	4.80

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	On every judgment pursuant to an order made in chambers		10.	0.	2.40	
•	On every judgment by confession or default of appearance or defence		10.	0.	2.40	
	On filing every order made by a Judge in Chambers or by the Court for which no other fee is prescribed		5.	0.	1.20	
	On every taxation of bill of costs including certificate		10.	0.	2.40	
	On every certificate of funds in Court		1.	0.	.24	
25.	On every rule or order in the course of any action or proceeding.		5.	0.	1.20	
26.	On Registrar signing every deed	1.	1.	0.	5.04	
27.			.2.	б.	.60	
28.	On inspection of a judgment or order		2.	6.	.60	
29.	On inspection of any other document		2.	6.	.60	
30.			2.	6.	.60	
31.		•				
	any action or matter		2.	6.	.60	
32.	On perusing and allowing by a Judge of any bond	,	5.	0.	1.20	
33.	On perusing and allowing by a Judge of any deed	1.	1.	0.	5.04	
34.	On every certificate of result of account or inquiry or other matter referred to a Judge or Taxing Officer	1.	1.	0.	5.04	
35.	On every Judge's certificate to any deed or other instrument	1.	0.	0.	4.80	
36.	On taking an account of moneys received by					
	an executor, administrator, trustee, agent,					
	solicitor, mortgagee, co-tenant, partner, receiver, guardian, consignee, bailee,					
	receiver, guardian, consignee, bailee, manager, official or other liquidator,				Ţ	
	sequestrator or execution creditor or other					
	person liable to account for every £100					
	(or \$480.) or fraction or $\pounds 100$ (or \$480.)					
	of the amount found to have been received without deducting any payment		1.	0.	.24	
37.	On appointment to settle record on appeal		1.	0.		
	to Privy Council		5.	0.	1.20	
38.	On certifying any document as an office					
	сору		5.	0.	1.20	
39.	If in a foreign language, the actual cost					
	of making and examining the copy, and, in addition, for marking and sealing the copy					
	as an office copy		5.	0.	1.20	
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40.	For an office copy of a plan, map, section, drawing, photograph or diagram the actual cost of making and examining the copy, and, in addition, for marking and sealing the copy as an office copy		5.	0.	1.20
41.	For a copy of reasons for judgment of a				
	Justice or a Court, per folio of 100 words			б.	.12
	But with a minimum fee, for one set of reasons, of		5.	0.	1.20
	And with a maximum fee for one set of	_	_	•	05.00
	reasons, of	5.	5.	0.	25.20
42.	For a copy of a report of a Registrar per folio of 100 words			6.	.12
43.	For a certificate of a Registrar for which no special fee is provided	,	5.	0.	1.20
44.	On obtaining appointment for examination of a witness before an officer of the Court or other person		5.	0.	1.20
45.	In respect of every witness examined by an officer or other person in his office, for each hour or part of an hour		5.	0.	1.20
46.	For an examination of witnesses away from the office of the examiner, the reasonable				
	travelling and other expenses in addition to the fee chargeable under Item 45	•	2.	6.	.60

SHERIFF'S OR MARSHAL'S FEES

The fees to be taken in the offices of the Sheriff, are the same as those which, by the practice of the Supreme Court of the Territory in which the proceeding is taken or the act is done or authorised are required to be taken by the Sheriff, in respect of a like proceeding or act in a cause pending in that Court.

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APPENDIX C

LEGAL PRACTITIONERS' FEES

Schedule of Allowances under Order XXXIV, rule 2(1) (b).

(Save where otherwise mentioned, a folio shall consist of one hundred words (or figures) or parts thereof; four figures to count as one word).

Writs, Summonses and Warrants.

	£.	s.	d. or S	\$¢
1.	Writ of summons for the commencement of	5.		
	any action 1.	1.	0.	5.04
2.	Concurrent writ of summons	10.	0.	2.40
3.	Renewal of a writ of summons	10.	0.	2.40
4.			. *	
	out of jurisdiction	10.	0.	2.40
.5.	Writ of inquiry	15.	0.	3.60
6.	Writ of mandamus	15.	0.	3.60
	Or per folio	2.	0.	.48
8.	Writ of subpoena ad testificandum or			a 10
0	duces tecum	10.	0.	2.40
9.	And if more than four folios, for each folio	2.	0.	.48
10	beyond four	۷.	0.	• .40
10.	for any number of persons not exceeding	1		
	three, and the same for every additional		-	
	number not exceeding three	10.	0.	2.40
11.	Writ of execution, or other writ to enforce			
	any judgment or order	15.	0.	3.60
12.		•	0	10
10	beyond four	2.	0.	.48
13.	Procuring a writ of execution or notice to the Sheriff or Marshal, marked with a seal			
	or renewal	10.	0.	2.40
14.	Notice thereof to serve on Sheriff or	101		
л т.	Marshal	7.	6.	1.80
15.	Any writ not included in the above	15.	0.	3.60
16.	These fees include all indorsements and	10.		0.00
10.	copies, or praecipes, for the officer sealing			
	them, and attendances to issue or seal,			
	except where otherwise provided, but not			
	the Court fees			
17.	Summonses to attend at Judge's Chambers	10.	0.	2.40
18.	Or if special, at Taxing Officer's discretion,			-
	not exceeding $\dots \dots \dots$	1.	0.	5.04
19.	Copy for the Judge, when required	2.	0.	.48
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.12	6.			Or per 'folio	20.
10.08	0.	2.	2.	Originating summons for proceedings in chambers at Taxing Officer's discretion not exceeding	21.
4.80	0.	0.	1.	And attending to get same and duplicate sealed, and at the proper office to file duplicate and get copies for service stamped	22.
.48	0.	2.		Copy for the Judge	23.
.12	б.			Or per folio	
				Services and Notices.	
1.80	6.	7.		Service, or filing in lieu of service, of any writ, summons, warrant, interrogatories petition, order, or notice on a party who has not entered an appearance, and if not authorised to be served by post	25.
.48	0.	2.		If served at a distance of more than two miles from the nearest place of business, or office of the solicitor serving the same, for each mile beyond such two miles therefrom	26.
2.52	6.	10.		Where, in consequence of the distance of the party to be served, it is proper to effect such service through an agent for corres- pondence in addition	27.
				Where more than one attendance is necessary to effect service, or to ground an application for substituted service, such further allowance may be made as the Taxing Officer shall think fit	28.
			÷.	For service out of the jurisdiction such allowance is to be made as the Taxing Officer shall think fit	29.
1.60	8.	6.		Service where an appearance has been entered on the solicitor or party	30.
1.60	8.	6.		Or if authorised to be served by post	31.
					32.
e made.	to be	s are	owances	addition to the above fees, the following allo	In
.12	6.			As to writs, if exceeding two folios, for a copy for service, per folio beyond such two	33.
.48	Ō.	2.		As to summons to attend at the Judge's Chambers, for each copy to serve	34.
.12	б.	2.		Or per folio	35.

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36.	For preparing or filling up for service in any other cause or matter, each notice to creditors to prove claims, and each notice that cheques may be received for principal	6 9	1.60
37	and interest, and costs, if any	6. 8.	1.60
57.	For preparing notice to produce on the trial or hearing of an action, or notice to admit	10. 6.	2.52
38.	If special or necessarily long, such allowance as the Taxing Officer shall think proper, not exceeding per folio	1. 0.	.24
39.	And for each copy, such allowance as the Taxing Officer shall think proper, not	• 6.	.12
мÒ	exceeding per folio	5. 0.	1.20
	For preparing notice of motion	2. 0.	.48
	Or per folio		.48
	Copy for service	2. 0. 6.	.48
	Or per folio	υ.	.14
44.	For preparing any necessary or proper notice, not otherwise provided for	2. 0.	.48
45.	Or if special, and necessarily exceeding three folios, for preparing same, for each folio beyond three	1. 0.	.24
46.	And for each copy for service, per folio beyond such three	6.	.12
47.	Copies for service of interrogatories and petitions, and or orders with necessary notices (if any) to accompany, per folio	. 6.	.12
48.	Except as otherwise provided, the allowances for services include copies for service		
49.	Where notice of filing affidavits is required, only one notice is to be allowed for a set of affidavits filed, or which ought to be filed, together		
50.	Where any appointment is or ought to be adjourned, service of a notice of the adjournment, or next appointment, is not to be allowed		
51.	Entering any appearance	10. 6.	2.52
52.	If entered at one time, for more than one person, for every defendant beyond the first	2. 0.	.48
53.	If a person appearing to a writ of summons to recover land limits his defence by his		
	memorandum of appearance, in addition to the above	10. 6.	2.52

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Instructions.

· -	Instructions.		•		
54.	To sue or defend	1.	1.	0.	5.04
55.	For statement of claim or special case	2.	2.	0.	10.08
56.		1.	1.	0.	5.04
57.	For defence or further defence	1.	1.	0.	5.04
58.	For counterclaim	1.	1.	0.	5.04
59.	•				
	counterclaim	1,	1.	0.	5.04
60.	For reply or further reply in any other case				
	with or without joinder of issue		13,	4.	3.20
61.			13.	4.	3.20
62.	For joinder of issue without other matter	•	13.	4:	3.20
63.	-		· .		
	(not being a summons), and interrogatories				
	for examination of a party or witness	2.	2.	0.	10.08
·64.	For statement of facts such fee may be	•			
	allowed as the Taxing Officer shall think				
	fit, having regard to all the circumstances of				
	the case.		•	•••	
65.	To amend any pleading	1.	1.	0.	5.04
66.					
	and other special affidavits		10.	6,	2.52
67.	To appeal against order of Court or Judge,				
	and to appear thereon	2.	2.	0.	10.08
68.	To add parties by order of Court or Judge		13.	4.	3.20
69.	For counsel to advise on evidence when the				
	evidence in chief is to be taken orally		10.	6.	2.52
70.	Or not to exceed	1.	1.	0.	5.04
71.	For counsel to make any application to a	1.	1.	0.	5.04
	Court or Judge where no other brief				
72.	For brief on motion for special injunction	2.	2.	0.	10.08
73.	For brief on hearing or trial of action upon			•	
	notice of trial or notice for judgment given,				
	whether such trial be before a Judge, or				
	before an official or special referee ,or on				:
	trial of an issue of fact before a Judge,				
	commissioner or referee or an assessment	· 3.	3.	0.	15.12
71	of damages	5.	5.	0.	15.12
74.	For such brief, and for brief on the hearing of an appeal when witnesses are to be				
	examined or cross-examined, such fee may				
	be allowed as the Taxing Officer shall think				
	fit, having regard to all the circumstances				
	of the case, and to other allowances, if any,				
	for attendances on witnesses and procuring				
	evidence				
75.	For brief on hearing of an originating				
	summons	3.	3.	0.	15.12
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76.	The fees for instructions for brief are to apply to a hearing on further consideration in Court only where an order for accounts and inquiries was made without such hearing or trial, as above mentioned.				· ··
• •	Drawing Pleadings and other Do	cument	<i>s</i> .		
77.	Statement of Claim	2.	2.	0 .	10.08
78.	Or per folio		1.	б.	.36
79.	Defence	1.	1.	0.	5.04
80.	Or per folio		1 .	б.	.36
81.	Counterclaim	2.	2.	0.	10.08
82,	Or per folio		1.	б.	.36
83.	Reply, with or without joinder or issue,				
	confession of defence, joinder of issue			,	
	without other matter, and any other pleading	*			
	(not being a petition or summons) and	1.	1.	0.	5.04
84.	amendments of any pleading	1.	1.	б.	.36
85.	Or per folio	4	Ŀ.	0.	.00
65.	Particulars, breaches, and objections, when required, and one copy to deliver		10.	6.	2.52
86.			10.	0.	
60.	Or such amount as the Taxing Officer shall think fit, not exceeding per folio		1.	6.	.36
87,	If more than one copy to be delivered, for		1.	0.	.00
07.	each other copy per folio		7	6.	.12
88.	Special case, whether original or in action, affidavits in answer to interrogatories and other special affidavits, special petitions, and interrogatories, per folio		1.	6.	.36
89.	Brief, on trial or hearing of cause, issue of fact, assessment of damages, examination of witnesses, special case and petition before a Court or Judge, commissioner, referee, examiner, or officer of the Court, when necessary and proper in addition to pleadings including necessary and proper observations:	·			
	Original matter per folio		1.	6.	• .36
	Other matter per folio			6.	.12
90.	Brief on application to add parties		15.	6.	3.72
91.	Or original matter per folio		1.	6.	.36
	Or other matter per folio			6.	.12
92. 93.	Brief on further consideration, per sheet of 10 folios		10.	6.	2.52
20.	for the Judge's Chambers, when required, not exceeding per folio		1.	6.	.36
94.	Advertisements to be signed by Taxing Officer, including attendance therefor	1.	1.	0.	5.04

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95.	Bills of costs for taxation, including copy	7
	for the Taxing Officer per folio	
	NOTE: A folio is to comprise 72 words	,
	every figure comprised in a column	1
	or authorized to be used being	s
	counted as one word.	•

Copies.

- 96. Of pleadings, briefs, and other documents, where no other provision is made, at per folio •• •• •• •• •• ••
- 97. Close copies are not to be allowed as of course, but the allowance is to depend on the propriety of making or sending the copies, which in each case is to be shown and considered by the Taxing Officer ...

Perusals

98.	Of statement of claim, defence, reply, joinder or issue, and other pleading (not being a petition in a pending cause or matter, or summons other than an origin- ating summons) by the solicitor of the	1		0	5.04
~~~	party to whom the same are delivered	1.	1.	0. · · ·	5.04
	Or per folio			6.	.12
100.	Of amendment of any such pleading in		10		
	writing		10.	6.	2.52
	Or per folio			6.	.12
102.	Of interrogatories to be answered by a party				<b>H</b> 0 (
	by his solicitor	1.	1.		5.04
103.	Or per folio	2		6.	.12
104.					
	solicitor of any party except the one by			0	<b>-</b>
	whom it is prepared	1.	1.	0,	5.04
105.	- 1			б.	.12
106.	Of copy order to add parties, notice of				
	defendant's claim against any person not a				
	party to the action and of defendant's				
	defence and counterclaim served on a person		. ·		
	not a party by the solicitor of the party				
	served therewith, and in these several cases the perusal of the plaintiff's statement of				
	claim is also to be allowed unless the solicitor		•		
	has been previously allowed such perusal	1.	1.	0.	5.04
107	Or per folio			6.	.12
	Of notice to produce on trial or hearing of				
100.	action, and notice to admit by the solicitor				
	of the party served	1.	1.	·0.	5.04
109.	Or if to admit facts per folio		1.	6.	.36

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110.	Of affidavit in answer to interrogatories by the solicitor of the party interrogating, and of other special affidavits by the solicitor of the party against whom the same can be read, per folio			6.	.12
<b>111.</b>	Of a petition in a pending cause or matter by the solicitor of the party to whom the same is delivered, such sum (if any) as the Taxing Officer may in his discretion think reasonable.	••	•		( <u>;</u> .
• •	Attendances	•			
112.	At the Registry (clerk's attendance)		6.	8.	1.60
	On the Registrar in chambers at the rate per hour or part thereof (to be increased at the discretion of the Taxing Officer)	1.	1.	, 0.	5.04
114.	On an opposite party, if necessary and proper, the like as under the preceding items.				
115.	On a Judge in chambers at the rate per			•	
	hour or part thereof (to be increased at the	1	1.1	E	7.56
116.	discretion of the Taxing Officer) In Court where matter listed but not reached, on any day for each hour or part	1.	11.	6.	
	thereof necessarily and justifiably spent	1.	1.	0.	5.04
	Attendance on receipt of letter or telegram	-	5.	0.	1.20
	Attendance on receipt of formal acknowledg- ment		3.	4.	.80
119.	Other merely formal attendances including attendances to file, to swear affidavits or		C C		1.60
120.	to bespeak copies		6.	8.	1.60
	obtain statements and other materials for brief on trial or for use at trial but not including attendances to represent parties at				
	hearing in Court or Chambers; such fee as may be reasonable according to circum- stances with a minimum fee of in respect				
101	of each hour or part thereof	1.	1.	0.	5.04
121.	Attendance to inspect or produce pursuant to notice per hour or part thereof	1.	1.	0.	5.04
122.	Attendance before a Registrar in chambers on taxation matters for each hour or part				2
123.	thereof	1.	1.	0.	5.04

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137.	To deliver papers (when required) for the		
	use of a Judge prior to a hearing	10.	б.
138.	To obtain or give an undertaking to appear	10.	6. <i>·</i>
139.	On printer to insert advertisement in		
•	Gazette	10.	б.
140.	On printer to insert same in other papers,		
	each printer	10.	6.
141.	On Registrar to certify that a cause set		
	down is settled or for any reason not to		,
· · · ·	come into the list for hearing	10.	6. 、
	For an order and to get same entered	10.	
	For preparing and drawing up an order		
	made at Chambers and attending for same,	• •	
		1.	0.
144	And for engrossing every such order, per		
<b>1</b>   11	folio		6.
145	To examine an abstract of title with deeds,		
110.	per hour, in a cause or matter 1.	1.	0.
	Letters	·. ·	
1/6	For drawing letters, messages, etc.	•	
140.	Such fee including letters not other-		
	wise allowed between party and party as		

not exceeding 147. In addition to the above an allowance is to be made for the necessary expense of postages, carriage and transmission of documents.

the Taxing Officer may consider reasonable

#### Disbursements

148. All Court fees, Counsel's fees and other fees and payments which, in the opinion of the Taxing Officer have been properly paid, shall be allowed.

#### Maps, Plans and Models

149. The Taxing Officer may allow such fees for maps, plans and models for use at the trial or hearing as he considers reasonable.

#### Marshal, Sheriff and Bailiff's Fees

150. There shall be paid to Sheriffs, Marshals and Bailiffs, such fees and travelling and subsistence allowances as are by Territorial law prescribed for the service or execution of any summons, warrant, writ, or other process of the Supreme Court of the Territory in which the execution or service is sought to be levied or effected.

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Witnesses', Interpreters', Special Commissioners' and Examiners' Fees Under Order XXXIV, Rules 3 and 4

Subsistence Allowances payable to Witnesses

1. Subject to the provisions herein, a subsistence allowance shall be paid to a witness at the following rate—

- (a) in the case of a professional man or a person who is earning at a rate in excess of £1,000 (or (\$4,800.00) per annum, £1. 1s. 0d, per hour but not exceeding £3. 3s. 0d. (or \$15.12) per day;
- (b) unskilled workers, labourers or persons of similar class 12s. 6d. (or \$3.00) per day;
- (c) other persons including clerks, artisans and persons of similar class, not exceeding \$5.00 per day.

2. No allowance shall be paid in any criminal proceeding to a witness who is an officer in the public service of the Federation or a Territory other than an hourly or daily paid employee.

3. A subsistence allowance shall only be paid to a witness in respect of the period during which he is necessarily detained and which is reasonably spent in travelling to and from the place where the Court is sitting.

4. No additional subsistence allowance shall be payable to a witness who gives evidence in more than one case on the same day.

5. By order of the Court a qualifying fee may be allowed to a witness in a proper case at the same rate as would be allowed to him for attending the Court.

#### Remuneration to Interpreters

6. Interpreters shall be paid at the rate prescribed by the rules of the Supreme Court of the Territory where the Court is sitting.

No remuneration will be paid in any criminal proceeding to an interpreter who is a member of the Federal or Territorial Public Services.

The Registrar may increase the scales of remuneration prescribed herein if, in his opinion, strict adherence to such scales would cause undue hardship.

#### Travelling Allowances payable to Witnesses, Special Commissioners and Assessors

7. Subject to the provisions herein, a witness, special commissioner or assessor who travels by air, rail or other public conveyance shall be entitled to a refund of the actual fare paid by him.

8. If the journey cannot be reasonably performed by air, rail or other public conveyance, a witness, special commissioner or assessor may use his own mode of transport and, in such case, shall be paid a travelling allowance at the following rate—

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(a) if motor transport is used, 1s. 0d. per mile or part thereof;

(b) if motor-cycle transport is used, 4d. per mile or part thereof;

(c) if cycle transport is used, 2d. per mile or part thereof.

9. If a witness, special commissioner or assessor conveys another person who is a witness, special commissioner or assessor in or on his own conveyance, the rate of allowance payable to him in terms of paragraph 2 shall be increased by an additional 2d. per mile or part thereof in respect of each person so conveyed.

10. A witness, special commissioner or assessor who travels in or on the conveyance of another person who is a witness, special commissioner or assessor shall not be entitled to any travelling allowance.

11. No travelling allowance shall be paid to a witness, special commissioner or assessor who resides within two miles of the place at which the Court is sitting.

12. When two or more modes or routes of travelling are reasonably available to a witness, special commissioner or assessor the travelling allowance payable to such person shall be at the rate for travelling by the mode or route which entails the least cost.

13. When a witness, special commissioner or assessor travels by rail, the travelling allowance payable to him shall be for travel by such class as he might reasonably be expected to travel.

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#### ORDER I

#### PRELIMINARY

Short title. 1. The following Rules may be cited as the Federal Supreme Court (Appeal) Rules, 1958.

#### Definitions

Definitions. 2. (1) In these Rules, unless it is expressly provided or the context otherwise requires—

"appellant" means the party appealing from a judgment, sentence or order and includes his legal representative;

"Attorney-General" means the Attorney-General of the Territory from which the appeal is brought;

"Chief Justice" means the Chief Justice of The West Indies. "Court" means the Federal Supreme Court of The West Indies;

"Court below" means the court from which the appeal is brought;

"deputy registrar" means any person appointed as such under the Regulations;

"existing" means existing immediately before the commencement of these Rules;

"file" means file in a Registry, and "filed" and "filing" have corresponding meanings;

"Government Gazette" means, in relation to a Territory, the Gazette published by the authority of the Government of that Territory and includes any supplement thereto and any Gazette Extraordinary so published;

"Judge" includes the presiding officer of any court from which an appeal lies to the Court;

"legal representative" means any barrister, advocate, solicitor, attorney or legal practitioner admitted to practise as such in any part of the Federation whether or not he has the right of audience in the Court;

"Magistrate" includes every person exercising jurisdiction, whether full or limited, in a court of summary jurisdiction under the laws of a Territory;

"order" includes decree, judgment, sentence or decision of a court below or a judge thereof;

"party" means any party to the appeal and includes his legal representative;

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"Prison Authority" means the head or person in charge of Her Majesty's Prisons in the Territory from which the appeal is brought and includes his deputy or other officer discharging his duties;

"proper officer of the Court below" means the Registrar of the court from whose order the appeal is brought;

"record" means the aggregate of papers relating to an appeal (including the pleadings, proceedings, evidence and judgments) and required by these Rules to be filed or laid before the Court on the hearing of the appeal;

"Registrar" means the Registrar of the Federal Supreme Court and includes a deputy registrar or other officer for the time being discharging the duties of the Registrar or deputyregistrar;

"the Regulations" means the Federal Supreme Court Regulations, 1958.

"respondent" (a) in a civil appeal means any party (other than the appellant) directly affected by the appeal;

> (b) in a criminal appeal where the Crown is not an appellant, means the person who under the provisions of the Regulations has the duty of appearing for the Crown or who undertakes the defence of the appeal.

(2) (a) The expressions interpreted in article 116 of the Constitution shall have the same meaning when used in these Rules.

(b) The Interpretation Regulations, 1958, shall apply to the Interpretainterpretation of these Rules as it applies to the interpretation of an tion Regula-Act as defined in those Regulations.

#### Appeals Generally

3. The forms set out in Appendices A and C to these Rules, or forms Forms in as near thereto as circumstances permit, shall be used in all cases to Appendices A and C to which such forms are applicable.

4. (1) Sittings of the Court shall be held at such times as the Chief Times of Justice may direct; subject to such directions, sittings (to be known as sittings "general sittings") shall be held for the disposal of the appeals pending and received from each Territory four times a year as follows:—

1st October to 21st December; 11th January to 31st March; 1st April to 31st May; 7th June to 31st July.

(2) (a) The Court will be in vacation during the period between the ending of one general sitting and the commencement of another and between the Wednesday before and the Tuesday after Easter.

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(b) The Court will not sit on Sundays and will not sit in any Territory on days that are public holidays in that Territory, and on such other days as the Chief Justice may direct.

5. (1) Notice of each general sitting shall be published by the Registrar of the Court in the Government Gazette of the Territory in which each appeal arose at least two weeks before the date appointed for the sitting; and, in the case of other sittings (to be known as "special sittings"), a similar notice shall be so published at least one week before the date appointed for the sitting:

(2) The deputy registrar shall on the publication of the said notices in the Gazette post up on the notice board of the Court the cause list of the sittings.

Provided that the Court may in its discretion hear any appeal and deal with any other matter whether or not the same has been included in such cause list so published.

(3) This rule shall not apply to the hearing of any matter by a single judge.

In all proceedings before the Court, the parties may appear in 6. person or be represented on appeal by any person-

- (a) who might have had a right of audience in the proceedings before the superior court from whose order the appeal is brought, or
- (b) is a member of one of the Inns of Court and has the right of audience before a superior court of a Territory.

7. (1) The Registrar and the deputy registrar in each Territory shall keep separate registers of all civil and criminal appeals brought before the Court including in the criminal appeal register notices of application for leave to appeal.

(2) Each register shall contain particulars of the date on which-

(a) the notice of appeal or of leave to appeal was lodged;

- (b) any interlocutory order was made;
- (c) the record of the appeal was received;

(d) the appeal was heard;

(e) judgment was delivered.

8. Subject to the provisions of regulation 28(3) of the Regulations (relating to the time within which an appeal may be brought in a capital case to the Court), and to Order II rule 3(3) of these Rules, the Court may enlarge the time prescribed by these Rules for the doing of anything to which these Rules apply, or may direct a departure from these Rules in any other way where this is required in the interests of justice.

Service of Subject to any provision contained in these Rules relating to 9. documents. the service of any particular document-

> (1) Service of the documents mentioned in the first column hereunder shall be served by leaving a true copy thereof in the manner specified in the second column:----

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#### Column 1

- (a) All documents required to be served—
  - (i) on parties to an action who have not filed an address for service; and
  - (ii) on a person not a party to the appeal.
- (b) All documents required to be served on parties who have an address for service.

#### Column 2

by personal service on the party or his authorised agent, or on the person not a party.

by leaving the document at the address for service with a person resident at or belonging to such place; or by registered post to such address, in which case, the time of service thereon shall be the time such document would be delivered in the ordinary course of post.

(2) If it be made to appear to a judge of the Court below upon application supported by affidavit that prompt personal service of a document cannot be effected he may make such order for substituted service by advertisement or otherwise as may be just.

### Waiver for non-compliance

10. Non-compliance on the part of an appellant in any criminal Waiver for cause or matter with these Rules or with any rule of practice for the non-comtime being in force shall not prevent the further prosecution of his with Rules appeal if the Court considers that such non-compliance was not wilful, in criminal and that it is in the interests of justice that non-compliance be waived. causes and The Court may, in such manner as it thinks right, direct the appellant matters. to remedy such non-compliance, and thereupon the appeal shall proceed. The Registrar shall forthwith notify the appellant of any directions given by the Court under this rule where the appellant was not present at the time when such directions were given.

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1. (1) All appeals shall be by way of rehearing and shall be brought Notice and by notice (hereinafter called "the notice of appeal"), to be filed together grounds of with two copies thereof with the deputy registrar, which shall set appeal. forth the grounds of appeal, state whether the whole or part only of the 1. decision of the Court below is complained of (in the latter case specifying such part), state also the nature of the relief sought and the names and addresses of all parties directly affected by the appeal, and be signed by the appellant or his legal representative.

(2) If the grounds of appeal allege misdirection or error in law particulars of the misdirection or error shall be clearly stated.

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(3) The grounds of appeal shall set out concisely and under distinct heads the grounds upon which the appellant intends to rely at the hearing of the appeal without any argument or narrative and shall be numbered consecutively.

(4) No ground which is vague or general in terms or which discloses no reasonable ground of appeal shall be permitted, save the general ground that the judgment is against the weight of the evidence, and any ground of appeal or any part thereof which is not permitted under this rule may be struck out by the Court of its own motion or on application by the respondent.

(5) The appellant shall not without the leave of the Court urge or be heard in support of any ground of objection not mentioned in the notice of appeal, but the Court may in its discretion allow the appellant to amend the grounds of appeal upon payment of the fees prescribed for making such amendment and upon such terms as the Court may deem just.

(6) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions the Court in deciding the appeal shall not be confined to the grounds set forth by the appellant.

Provided that the Court shall not rest its decision on any ground not set forth by the appellant unless the respondent has had sufficient opportunity of contesting the case on that ground.

(7) The deputy registrar shall send one copy of the notice of appeal to the Registrar and the other copy to the Registrar of the Court below.

2. (1) Where an appeal lies by leave only any person desiring to Appeal by leave only appeal shall apply to the Court by notice of motion for leave within Civil Form fourteen days from the date of the decision against which leave to appeal is sought.

> (2) If leave is granted the appellant shall file a notice of appeal as provided by rule 1 of this Order within fourteen days from the grant of leave.

3. (1) Subject to the provisions of this rule, no appeal shall be brought after the expiration of six weeks from the date of judgment delivered or order made, against which the appeal is brought, provided that in the case of an appeal-

- (a) against an interlocutory order or judgment the period shall be fourteen days; and
- (b) against an order or judgment made in the matter of the winding up of a Company, or in a matter of any bankruptcy, the period shall be twenty-one days.

(2) An appeal shall be deemed to have been brought when the notice of appeal has been filed in the Registry of the Court below.

Extension (3) No application for enlargement of time in which to appeal of time for shall be made after the expiration of one month from the expiration appealing. of the time prescribed within which an appeal may be brought. Every such application shall be made by summons supported by an affidavit

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setting forth good and substantial reasons for the application and by grounds of appeal which prima facie show good cause for leave to be granted.

(4) When time is so enlarged a copy of the order granting such enlargement shall be annexed to the notice of appeal.

4. (1) A true copy of the notice of appeal shall be served upon Service of all parties directly affected by the appeal and it shall not be necessary notice of to serve any party not so affected; but the Court may direct notice of appeal to be served on all or any parties to the action or other proceeding, or upon any person not a party and in the meantime may postpone or adjourn the hearing of the appeal upon such terms as may be just, and may give such judgment and make such order as might have been given or made if the persons served with such notice had been originally parties.

(2) A true copy of the notice shall be served upon the respondent within seven days after the original notice has been filed.

5. (1) It shall not, under any circumstances, be necessary for a Notice by respondent to give notice of motion by way of cross-appeal, but if a respondent respondent intends, upon the hearing of an appeal, to contend that the of contendecision of the Court below should be varied, he shall, within fourteen judgment days after service of the notice of appeal, or within such time as may should be prescribed by special order made on application, give written notice varied. of such intention to any parties who may be affected by such contention, Civil Form and in such notice shall clearly state the reason on which he intends ³. to rely, and within the same period he shall file a copy of such notice with the deputy registrar.

(2) A copy of such notice shall be included in the record but if the record has already been filed, the prescribed number of copies shall be prepared forthwith and left with the deputy registrar by the appellant for transmission to the Judges and the Registrar.

(3) The omission to give notice shall not diminish the powers conferred by the Regulations upon the Court but may, in the discretion of the Court, be a ground for an adjournment of the appeal, or for any special order as to costs.

6. (1) A notice of appeal or respondent's notice may be amended— Amendment

- (a) by or with the leave of the Court, at any time;
- (b) without such leave, by supplementary notice served, and responbefore the date on which the appeal appears in the cause notice. list published in accordance with Order I rule 5 upon each of the parties upon whom the notice to be amended was served.

(2) A party by whom a supplementary notice is served under this rule shall, within two days after service of the notice, furnish two copies of the notice to the proper officer as defined by Order I rule 2 (1).

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7. (1) A respondent intending to rely upon a preliminary objection breliminary to the hearing of the appeal shall give the appellant three clear days' objection to be filed. notice thereof before the hearing setting out the grounds of objection Civil Form and shall file such notice together with four copies thereof with the Registrar within the same time.

(2) If the respondent fails to comply with this rule the Court may refuse to entertain the objection or may adjourn the hearing thereof at the cost of the respondent or may make such other order as it thinks fit.

#### The Record

8. (1) The Registrar of the Court below shall upon an appeal being brought summon the parties before him to settle the documents (which expression shall include any other matter which may form part of a record) to be included in the record and shall, whether any of the parties attend the appointment or not, settle and sign and in due course file a list of such documents.

(2) The said Registrar, as well as the parties, shall endeavour to exclude from the record all documents (more particularly such as are merely formal) that are not relevant to the subject matter of the appeal and generally to reduce the bulk of the record as far as practicable, taking special care to avoid duplication of documents and unnecessary repetition of headings and other merely formal parts of documents; but the documents omitted to be copied shall be enumerated in a list at the end of the record.

(3) If the said Registrar or any party objects to the inclusion of a document on the ground that it is unnecessary or irrelevant and the other party nevertheless insists upon its being included, the document shall be included and the record shall, with a view to the subsequent adjustment of the costs of and incidental to the inclusion of such document, indicate in the index of papers or otherwise the fact that, and the party by whom, the inclusion of the document was objected.

Evidence.

When any question of fact is involved in an appeal, the evidence 9. taken in the Court below bearing on such question shall, subject to any special order of the Court, be brought before the Court as follows:---

> (a) as to any evidence taken by affidavit, by the production of office copies of such affidavit;

(b) as to evidence taken orally, by the production of a copy of the Judge's notes certified by the Registrar of the Court below, or a transcript of the evidence taken by a shorthand writer and certified by him, or such other materials as the Court may deem expedient.

10. (1) Where any notes of proceedings whether in shorthand or long hand have been taken by a person employed by any court or taken by the Judge of the Court below, copies of such parts of these notes as are required for the record of appeal shall be supplied by the Registrar of the Court below on payment of the fees prescribed in Appendix B.

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(2) If no written decision is given by the Judge at the time of giving judgment such Judge shall communicate his reasons for the judgment in writing to the Registrar of the Court below and such reasons shall be included in the record.

(3) On hearing of an appeal the Court shall have power, if the notes of the Judge of the Court below or a transcript of the evidence are not produced, or if there are no such notes or transcript, to hear and determine such appeal upon any other evidence or statement of what occurred before such Judge which the Court may deem sufficient.

11. (1) Every document or paper required by these Rules to be filed Printing or left with the Registrar shall be legibly printed, cyclostyled or type- or typing written with black ink (excluding carbon copies) upon strong white of record. foolscap paper of good quality with an inner margin of not less than two inches and an outer margin of about half-an-inch, and a space of not less than three-eighths of an inch shall be left between every two lines.

(2) There shall be an index to the record and every page thereof shall be numbered consecutively, and every tenth line on a page shall be numbered in the margin. Correspondence and exhibits shall be arranged together at the end of the record.

(3) The Registrar may refuse to file or receive any document not strictly conforming to the requirements of sub-rule (1) of this rule and the Court may disallow the costs of any such document which has been filed or received by the Registrar.

12. (1) Any party may apply for and, on payment of the prescribed Copy of list fee, obtain an office copy of the exhibits for the purpose of an appeal of exhibits. to the Court or otherwise.

(2) All original documents tendered in evidence to the Court below at trial shall remain in the custody of the Court below until the record of appeal has been prepared, and shall then be forwarded with the record to the deputy registrar in the Territory in which the appeal is to be heard and shall remain in the custody of the Court until the determination of the appeal:

Provided that the deputy registrar shall permit a party for the purposes of preparing his record to take copies of all such documents and that the Court or Registrar may allow the return of any document to any party pending the hearing of the appeal and subject to such conditions as it or he may impose.

13. (1) The appellant shall within six weeks from the date when the Entering appeal is brought or within such extended time as may be granted by ^{appeal}. the Court below or the Court—

- (i) file in the office of the deputy registrar-
  - (a) the record;

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- $\sim \mathcal{J}(b)$  an affidavit of service of the notice of appeal; and
- (ii) leave four copies of the record for the use of the Judges and the Registrar of the Court.

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(2) The deputy registrar shall thereupon give notice in Form 7 to the respondent of the filing of the record.

(3) The deputy-registrar shall thereupon forthwith—

- (a) send the four copies of the record to the Registrar for the use of the Judges of the Court and the Registrar;
- (b) cause to be served on all parties mentioned in the notice of appeal a notice that the record has been forwarded to the Registrar;
- (c) send to the Registrar four copies of any notice or other document received by him after transmitting the record.

(4) The Registrar upon receiving the record shall set down the appeal for hearing by entering the same on the proper list of appeals.

### Withdrawal and non-compliance

14. Subject to the provisions of rule 5 of this Order, if the appellant files with the Registrar a notice of withdrawal of his appeal the Registrar shall certify that fact to the Court, which may thereupon order that the appeal be dismissed with or without costs. The appellant at the same time shall serve copies of the notice of withdrawal on all or any of the parties with regard to whom the appellant wishes to withdraw his appeal, and any party so served shall be precluded from laying claim to any costs incurred by him after such service unless the Court shall otherwise order.

Any party served with a notice of withdrawal may on notice to the appellant apply to the Court for an order to recover such costs as he may necessarily or reasonably have incurred prior to the service on him of the notice of withdrawal together with his costs incurred for purposes of obtaining the order and for attending upon the Court.

15. (1) It shall be the duty of the Registrar to see that an appellant complies with the provision of rule 13 of this Order, and before the conclusion of each general sitting shall report to the Court any failure on the part of an appellant so to comply and the Court of its own motion may make any such order as it might make upon an application by the respondent under paragraph (2) of this rule.

(2) If the respondent alleges that the appellant has failed to comply with the requirements of rule 13 (1) of this Order or any part thereof, the Court, if satisfied that the appellant has so failed, may dismiss the appeal for want of due prosecution or make such other Order as the justice of the case may require.

(3) An appellant whose appeal has been dismissed unable this rule may apply by notice of motion that his appeal be restored and the Court may in its discretion for good and sufficient cause order that such appeal be restored upon such terms as it may think fit.

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Withdrawal of appeal. Civil Form 9. Civil Form 10.

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# Applications

16. (1) In any cause or matter pending before the Court, a single Applications to single

(a) giving security for costs to be occasioned by any appeals; ^{Judge.}

(b) leave to appeal in forma pauperis;

(c) a stay of execution on any judgment appealed from pending the determination of such appeal;

(d) an injunction restraining the defendant in the action from disposing or parting with the possession of the subject matter of the appeal pending the determination thereof;

(e) extension of time;

and may hear, determine and make orders on any other interlocutory application.

(2) Every order made by a single Judge of the Court in pursuance of this rule may be discharged or varied by any Judges of that Court having power to hear and determine the appeal.

17. Applications referred to in the preceding rule shall ordinarily be Applicamade to a Judge of the Court, but, where this may cause undue incon-tion to venience or delay, a Judge of the superior court, from which an appeal Court is brought, may on application make orders in that appeal in any of the matters mentioned in paragraphs (b), (c), (d) and (e).

18. (1) The following applications may be made ex parte by affidavit Mode of containing the grounds of the application and the order asked for— application

(a) applications for leave to appeal in forma pauperis;

(b) applications for extension of time.

(2) Any other application under these rules shall be made by way of summons or motion. Such application shall be supported by affidavit, a copy of which shall be served with the summons or notice of motion.

(3) Where an application is made ex parts under sub-rule (1) of this rule, an order may be made requiring any party affected to be served with notice of the application.

(4) Where an application under these rules is made by summons, an order may be made adjourning the hearing into open court.

(5) Where an application made by summons is heard by the Court, it shall be treated as if it were a motion, and it shall be heard in open court.

19. (1) An appeal shall not operate as a stay of execution or of Appeal no proceedings under the judgment appealed from, except so far as the stay except Court below or the Court may order, and no intermediate act or proceeding shall be invalidated, except so far as the Court may direct.

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(2) On an appeal, interest for such time as execution has been delayed by the appeal shall be allowed unless the Court otherwise orders, and the Registrar may compute such interest without any order for that purpose.

Application for security for costs.

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20. (1) Before an application for security for costs is made, a written demand shall be made by the respondent and if the demand is refused or if an offer of security be made by the appellant and not accepted by the respondent, the Court or the Court below shall in dealing with the costs of the application consider which of the parties has made the application necessary.

(2) An application for security for costs may be made at any time after the appeal has been brought and must be made promptly thereafter.

Bond. (3) An order for security for costs shall direct that in default Civil Form of the security being given within the time limited therein, or any 11. extension thereof, the appeal shall stand dismissed with costs.

Application for be accompanied by—

appeal in (a)

(a) an affidavit stating—

 (i) that the appellant is not worth \$120 or £25 excepting his wearing apparel and tools of trade and his interest in the subject matter of the intended appeal;

(ii) that his usual income from all sources does not exceed
\$9.60 or £2 a week;

(b) a certificate of counsel that the appellant has reasonable ground of appeal.

(2) Where an appellant obtains leave to appeal in forma pauperis he shall not be required to lodge security for the costs of the respondent or to pay any registry fees or any fees for copies of the Judge's notes of evidence or the documents required for compiling the record.

### Hearing and Judgments

Interlocutory appeals. Number of

Judges

Dismissal of 23. If the appellant fails to appear when his appeal is called on for appeal in hearing the appeal may be struck out or dismissed with or without costs. default of appearance.

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24. When an appeal has been struck out owing to the non-appearance Applica²⁴ and of the appellant the Court may, on application by the appellant by notice tion to the Court, if it thinks fit, and on such terms as to costs or otherwise to re-enter as it may deem just, direct the appeal to be re-entered for hearing. dismissed Provided that no application under this rule shall be made after the under r 23 expiration of twenty-one days from the date of the judgment or order

25. If the respondent fails to appear when the appeal is called Nonon for hearing the Court may proceed to hear the appeal ex parte. appearance of respondent.

26. (1) Where an appeal has been heard ex parte under rule 25 of Applicathis Order and any judgment has been given therein adverse to the tion to set respondent he may apply by motion to the Court to set aside such parte judgment and re-hear the appeal and the Court may, if it thinks fit, and judgment, on such terms as to costs or otherwise as it may deem just, direct the appeal to be re-entered for hearing.

(2) No application to set aside any judgment or order and re-hear the appeal under this rule shall be made after the expiration of twenty-one days from the date of the judgment or order sought to be set aside.

(3) Any such application shall be by motion accompanied by an affidavit setting forth the reasons and grounds for the application and the Court may thereupon in its discretion set aside the judgment or order and order that the appeal be re-heard at such time and upon such conditions as to costs or otherwise as it may think fit.

27. Subject to the provisions of paragraph (5) of article 85 of the Delivery of Constitution, the judgments of the Court shall normally be delivered in judgment. the Territory where the appeal was heard by the judges who heard the same, but if one or more judges of the Court are not prepared or otherwise unable to deliver judgment before the conclusion of the sitting—

- (a) judgment may be delivered at a later sitting of the Court in the same or some other Territory; and
- (b) a judge may transmit to the Registrar or deputyregistrar his written judgment which may be read by any judge of the Court at a sitting of the Court.

28. When the Court directs any judgment to be enforced by another Execution Court, a certificate under the seal of the Court and the hand of the of judgpresiding Judge setting forth the judgment shall be transmitted by the Court Registrar to such other Court, and the latter shall enforce such judgment below. in terms of the certificate. Civil Form 12.

#### Fees and Costs.

29. (1) Save as hereinafter provided, the fees prescribed in Court fees. Appendix B shall be charged in respect of the matters to which they are respectively assigned. The fees chargeable under Part I of Appendix B shall be paid to the deputy registrar and those chargeable under Part II shall be paid to the Registrar of the Court below.

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(2) No fees shall be payable by the Federation or a Territory Government of or any person suing or being sued on behalf of the Federation or a or Territory Territory in respect of-

- (a) any civil or criminal appeal to which the Federation or a Territory or any person so suing or being sued is a party; or
- (b) any suit instituted by or against the Federation or a Territory or any person so suing or being sued:

Provided that a judgment in favour of the Federation or a Territory or any person so suing or being sued for costs to be paid by any party, not being the Federation or a Territory, or any person so suing or being sued, shall, unless the Court otherwise orders, include the amount of any fees which would have been payable if the appeal or suit had been brought or instituted by or against a private person.

30. (1) Subject to the provisions of this rule, a Taxing Officer when taxing the fees for professional legal services shall-

- (a) unless the Court when awarding costs orders otherwise, allow all such costs, charges and expenses as shall appear to him to have been necessary or proper for the attainment of justice or for the defending the rights of any party, but save as against the party who incurred the same, no costs shall be allowed which appear to the Taxing Officer to have been incurred or increased through over-caution, negligence or mistake, or by payment of special fees to counsel or special charges or expenses to witnesses or other persons, or by other unusual expenses;
- (b) adhere to the Schedule of Allowances in Appendix B, Part III.

(2) In taxing party and party costs, the Taxing Officer shall also, unless the court when awarding costs orders otherwise, allow-

> (a) the reasonable fees consequent upon the engagement of counsel:

Provided that he may disallow the fee of more than one counsel in unopposed matters and in matters in which counsel has not appeared on the other side;

- (b) in any matter which does not conclude upon the first day, reasonable refreshers for each day subsequent to the first;
- (c) junior counsel's fee on the basis of two-thirds of the fee allowed to leading counsel (excluding travelling expenses and any special fee allowed to leading counsel) where fees to leading and junior counsel are allowed.

(3) The Taxing Officer may in exceptional cases and for good and sufficient reason depart from any of the provisions of the Schedule of Allowances contained in Appendix B, Part III, and in particular in the taxation of solicitor and client-bills of costs, where strict adherence to such provisions would be inequitable.

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31. The fees to be charged for interpreters, witnesses, special Fees not commissioners and examiners shall be those set forth in Part IV of chargeable under rules 29 and 30.

32. (1) Where the costs of an appeal are allowed they may either be Taxation of fixed by the Court at the time when the judgment is given or may be Costs. ordered to be taxed.

(2) The Registrar of such deputy registrar as the Registrar by Civil Form general or special direction shall nominate shall be the Taxing Officer.  13 .

(3) Any party who may be dissatisfied with the allowance or Objections disallowance by the Taxing Officer, in any bill of costs taxed by him, to taxaof the whole or any part of any items, may, at any time before the certificate or allocatur is signed, or such earlier time as may in any case be fixed by the Taxing Officer, deliver to the other party interested therein, and carry in before the Taxing Officer, an objection in writing to such allowance or disallowance, specifying therein by a list, in a short and concise form the items or parts thereof objected to, and the grounds and reasons for such objections and may thereupon apply to the Taxing Officer to review the taxation in respect of the same. The Taxing Officer may, if he shall think fit, issue pending the consideratoin of such objections a certificate of taxation or allocatur for or on account of the remainder of the bill of costs and such further certificate or allocatur as may be necessary shall be issued by the Taxing Officer after his decision upon such objections.

(4) Upon such application the Taxing Officer shall reconsider and Review of review his taxation upon such objections, and he may, if he shall think taxation fit, receive further evidence in respect thereof, and, if so required by ^{by} Taxing either party, he shall state either in his certificate of taxation or allocatur, or by reference to such objection, the grounds and reasons of his decision thereon, and any special facts or circumstances relating thereto. The Taxing Officer may tax the costs of such objections and add them to or deduct them from any sum payable by or to any party to the taxation.

(5) Any person aggrieved by any order, decision or ruling of the Appeal Taxing Officer may apply to the Court to set aside such order, decision from or ruling and to make such further order as it may think fit.

(6) Any application to the Court under the foregoing sub-rule decision. shall be by motion accompanied by an affidavit in support and notice of such motion shall be served upon the Taxing Officer and upon all parties having interest therein.

#### Procedure on appeal from the Court sitting in its original jurisdiction

33. (1) The provisons of these rules shall apply to all appeals from Appeals from Control the Court sitting in its original jurisdiction.

Appeals from Court exercising its original

(2) References to the deputy-registrar shall be deemed references its original to the Registrar, and references to the Registrar of the Court below shall be deemed references to the deputy-registrar unless the case was

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tried in the Territory where the Registrar resides when the duties of the Deputy-Registrar in regard to appeals under this Part shall be performed by the Registrar.

(3) The forms in Appendix A to these Rules, or as near thereto as circumstances permit, shall be used in all cases to which such forms are applicable in appeals from the Court sitting in its original jurisdiction.

# ORDER III

# CRIMINAL APPEALS

#### Institution of Appeals

A person desiring to appeal to the Court against conviction and/or Obligation . 1. on appell-sentence shall commence his appeal by sending to the Registrar of the Court ant to fill, below a notice of appeal or notice of application for leave to appeal or notice of application for extension of time within which such notice shall be given, appeal as the case may be, in the form of such notices set forth in Forms 1 or 2 in notices Appendix C, and, in the notice or notices so sent, shall answer the questions answer and comply with the requirements set forth thereon subject to the provisions questions of Order I rule 10. The answers to the questions which an appellant is by this thereon. rule required to make in support of his request to be present at the hearing Criminal of his appeal shall be deemed to be applications to the Court in such matter. Forms 1 and 2.

2. (1) The certificate of the Judge of the Court below under regulation Judge's certificate, 21(b) of the Regulations may be in Form 3 in Appendix C. under regu-

lation 21(b). Criminal

and

Form 3.

(2) The Judge of the Court below may, in any case in which he Judge's certificate considers it desirable so to do, inform the person convicted before or sentenced may be by him that the case is in his opinion one fit for an appeal to the Court under given at trial without regulation 21(b) of the Regulations and may give to such person a application. certificate to that effect in the Form 3 in Appendix C. Criminal

Notices of... appeal.

Form 3.

3. (1) Every notice of appeal or notice of application for leave to appeal or notice of application for extension of time within which such notice shall be given shall be signed by the appellant himself, except under the provisions of sub-rules (4) and (5) of this rule.

Any other notice required or authorised to be given shall be in writing and signed by the person giving the same or by his legal representative. All notices required or authorised to be given shall be addressed to the Registrar of the Court below to be forwarded by him to the Registrar of the Court.

(2) Where an appellant or applicant is a prisoner in prison it shall be sufficient service to deliver the document at the prison to the officer in charge or person appearing to be the officer in charge thereof, who shall cause the same to be served on such prisoner.

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(3) Where an appellant or any other person authorised or required Where to give or send any notice of appeal or notice of any application is unable to appellant write, he may affix his mark thereto in the presence of a witness who shall unable to attest the same, and thereupon, such notice shall be deemed to be duly signed by such appellant.

(4) Where, on the trial of a person entitled to appeal, it has been Where contended that he was not responsible according to law for his actions on the question ground that he was insane at the time the act was done or the omission made of insanity by him, any notice required to be given and signed by the appellant himself involved. may be given and signed by his legal representative.

(5) In the case of a body corporate where any notice or other docu-Notice, etc., ment is required to be signed by the appellant himself, it shall be sufficient on behalf compliance therewith if such notice or other document is signed by the of corporasecretary, clerk, manager or legal representative of such body corporate.

4. An application to the Court for an extension of time within which Notice of notices may be given, shall be in the Form 2 in Appendix C. Every person application making an application for such extension of time, shall send to the Registrar for extenof the Court below together with the proper form of such application, a form, for appealduly filled up, of notice of appeal, or of notice of application for leave to ing. appeal, appropriate to the ground or grounds upon which he desires to question Criminal his conviction or sentence, as the case may be.

#### Copies of Proceedings, etc.

5. (1) The Registrar of the Court below when he has received a Forwarding notice of appeal or a notice of application for leave to appeal, or a notice of proceedof application for extension of the time within which under the Regulations ings in such notice shall be given, shall forward to the Registrar four copies of the Court proceedings in the Court below and if any record has been made of the Registrar. summing up or direction of the Judge of the Court below, four copies thereof or if no such record has been made, a statement giving to the best of such

Judge's recollection the substance of the summing up or direction. He shall also forward the orginal exhibits in the case as far as practicable and any original depositions, information, inquisition, plea, or other documents usually kept by hm, or forming part of the record of the Court below.

(2) One copy of the proceedings and one copy of the summing up shall be sent by the Registrar of the Court below to the Attorney General at the same time he complies with paragraph (1) of this rule.

(3) For the purposes of this rule copies of proceedings shall contain —

(a) the indictment or charge and the plea,

(b) the verdict, any evidence given thereafter, and the sentence,

- (c) notes of any particular part of the evidence or cross-examination relied on as a ground of appeal, and
- (d) such other notes of evidence as the Registrar of the Court below or the Registrar may direct to be included in the copies of proceedings.

#### Provided —

(i) In capital cases copies of the notes of all the evidence shall be supplied ; and

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(ii) Upon application by either party to an appeal a single Judge of the Court or the Court itself may direct that copies of any particular part, or the whole, of the evidence be supplied to the Court and to the Attorney General.

Records of 6. (1) Where any trial is had with a jury or assessors, and, by direction summing up. of the Judge of the Court below, notes in long hand or in short hand or typewritten shall be taken of the summing up or direction of the Judge and of such parts of the proceedings as the Judge of the Court below may consider expedient, such record shall be accepted by the Court as accurate unless the Court has reason to doubt its accuracy.

> (2) Where in such a trial the Judge of the Court below does not give any directions for recording any summing up or direction given by him, his statement shall be accepted as accurate unless the Court sees reason to the contrary.

> (3) The shorthand writer shall sign the shorthand note taken by him of any trial or proceeding, or of any part of such trial or proceeding, and certify the same to be a complete and correct shorthand note thereof; and such shorthand note shall be kept in such custody as the Registrar of the Court below shall, either specially or generally, direct.

> (4) The shorthand writer shall, on being directed by the Registrar of the Court below, furnish to him for the use of the Court a transcript of the whole, or of any part, of the shorthand note taken by him of any trial or proceeding in reference to which an appellant has appealed under the Regulations.

> (5) Where no notes in long hand or in short hand have been taken by direction of the Judge of the Court below of any other parts of the proceedings required for the purpose of an appeal, the Judge of the Court below shall furnish to the Registrar of the Court below his notes of the trial or such part thereof as may be required for such purpose.

> (6) On the application of a party interested in a trial or other proceeding in relation to which a person may appeal under the Regulations, the Registrar of the Court below shall direct the shorthand writer to furnish to such party, and to no other person, a transcript of the whole, or of any part of the shorthand note of any such trial or other proceedings, on payment to the Proper Officer of the Court below such fees as may be prescribed by rules of Court in the Territory from which the appeal is brought for copies of proceedings required on appeal in any criminal cause or matter.

(7) A party interested in an appeal under the Regulations may obtain from the Registrar of the Court below a copy of the transcript of the whole may obtain or of any part of such shorthand note as relates to the appeal on payment to the Proper Officer of the Court below such fees as may be prescribed by rules of Court in the Territory from which the appeal is brought for copies of proceedings required on appeal in any criminal cause or matter.

(8) For the purposes of this rule, "a party interested" shall mean the prosecutor or the person convicted, or any other person named in, or immediately affected by, any order made by the Judge of the Court below, or

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certified by the writer.

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Transcript to he furnished on application of Registrar.

Partv interested may obtain transcript:

Party interested transcript from Registrar.

Definition of "party interested".

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other person authorised to act on behalf of a party interested, as herein defined; but shall not include the Attorney General, to whom a copy of such transcript shall be furnished free of charge.

(9) A transcript of the shorthand notes taken of the proceedings at the Transcript trial, or a copy of the Judge's notes of the trial, of any appellant shall not be of short-supplied free of charge except by an order of the Court or a Judge or Judge's thereof, upon an application made by an appellant or by his counsel or solicitor notes not assigned to him under the Regulations.

notes not to be supplied free except by an order of Court.

# Judge's Report

7. (1) The Registrar of the Court below shall, if in relation to any appeal Report of the Court directs him so to do, request the Judge of the Court below to furnish Judge of him with a report in writing, giving his opinion upon the case generally or Court below. upon any point arising upon the case of the appellant, and such Judge shall furnish the same to the said Registrar.

(2) The report of the Judge shall be made to the Court, and, the said Registrar shall on request, furnish a copy thereof to the appellant and respondent, if the Court so directs.

8. When the Registrar of the Court below requests the Judge of the Furnishing Court below to furnish a report under these Rules, he shall send to such Judge Judge of a copy of the notice of appeal or notice of application for leave to appeal or below with any other document or information which he shall consider material, or materials which the Court at any time shall direct him to send or with which such Judge for report. may request to be furnished by the said Registrar, to enable such Judge to deal in his report with the appellant's case generally or with any point arising thereon.

# Copies of Documents for use of Appellant or Respondent

9. (1) At any time after notice of appeal or notice of application for leave How appellto appeal has been given under the Regulations or these Rules, an appellant or ant or respondent, or the solicitor or other person representing either of them, may may obtain obtain from the Registrar of the Court below copies of any documents (other from Registhan notes of proceedings) or exhibits in his possession under the Regulations trar of or these Rules for the purposes of such appeals. Such copies shall be supplied Court by the said Registrar on payment to the proper officer of the Court below copies of of such fee as may be prescribed by rules of Court in the Territory from which documents the appeal is brought for copies of proceedings required on appeal in any or exhibits. criminal cause or matter.

(2) Where solicitor and counsel, or counsel only, are assigned to an Counsel and appellant under the Regulations, copies of any such documents or exhibits solicitor which they or he may request the said Registrar to supply shall without charge assigned to be supplied unless the said Registrar thinks that they are not necessary for appellant may receive the purpose of the appeal.

may receive copies of documents and exhibits free on request.

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Appellant not legally copy of documents or exhibits free.

(3) Where an appellant, who is not legally represented requires from represented the said Registrar a copy of any such document or exhibit in his custody for may obtain the purposes of his appeal, he may obtain it free of charge, if the said Registrar thinks, under all the circumstances, it is desirable or necessary to supply the same to him.

## Conduct of Prosecution and Defence

Registrar to 10. (1) Whenever the Registrar has received a notice of appeal or a require notice of application for leave to appeal, or a notice of application for an proper extension of time within which such notices shall be given, he shall forthwith officer of Court apply to the Registrar of the Court below for the following particulars :-

below to furnish him with particulars etc., of trial.

(a) Name and address of the prosecutor.

- State names and addresses of counsel and/or solicitor for prosecution.
- (b) Whether appellant was defended by counsel and solicitor privately or by counsel at request of Court.
  - Give names and addresses of counsel and/or solicitor for appellant.

(2) When the Registrar has received a notice of appeal or where Registrar to notify leave to appeal is granted to any appellant, he shall ---

(a) notify the Attorney General, or

(b) if the prosecutor is a private person, shall enquire if he intends to defend the appeal and, if the answer is in the negative, the Registrar shall so inform the Attorney General.

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(3) It shall be the duty of a prosecutor, who declines to undertake the

Prosecutor information, defence of an appeal, and of his counsel or solicitor, to furnish to the Registrar to afford all documents, and the Attorney General, or either of them, any information, documents, etc., to matters and things in his possession or under his control connected with the Registrar proceedings against the appellant, which the Registrar or Attorney General and Attorneymay require for the purposes of their duties under the Regulations. General.

#### Legal Aid to Appellants

11. (1) The Registrar shall cause to be prepared in such form as he thinks most convenient for each Territory a separate list of counsel who are willing to act as counsel for appellants if and when nominated under the Regulations.

(2) The Registrar shall also cause to be prepared in such form as he thinks most convenient a list of solicitors who are willing to act as solicitors on behalf of appellants if and when nominated so to do under the Regulations.

(3) When legal aid is assigned to an appellant, the Court may give such directions as to the stage of the appeal at which such legal aid shall commence and whether counsel only, or counsel and solicitor, shall be assigned or otherwise as it may think right.

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Attorney General or prosecutor. if a private person, of receipt of notice of appeal.

counsel and solicitors for purposes of the Regulations,

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Legal aid to be provided from such lists.

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(4) The Registrar shall thereupon, subject to any special order of the Court, select from such lists or otherwise a counsel and a solicitor or a counsel only for the purpose of affording legal aid to an appellant under the directions of the Court, having regard in so doing to the place at which the appellant was tried and the counsel and solicitor, if any, who represented the appellant at his trial and the nature of the appeal.

# Proceedings before a single Judge

12. (1) Where any application has been dealt with by a single Judge the Procedure Registrar shall notify to the appellant the decision in Form 4 in Appendix C. of applica-In the event of such Judge refusing all or any of such applications the Registrar tion to on notifying such refusal to the appellant shall forward to him Form 5 in Judge. Appendix C which form the appellant is hereby required to fill up and forth-Criminal with return to the Registrar. If the appellant does not desire to have the said Form 4. application or applications determined by the Court as duly constituted for Form 5. the hearing of appeals under the Regulations or does not return within five days to the Registrar Form 5 duly filled up by him the refusal of his application or applications shall be determined by the Court as duly constituted for solution or applications shall be determined by the Court as duly represented he may, if the Court give him leave, be present at the hearing and determination by the Court of his said application: Provided that an appellant who is legally represented shall not be entitled to be present without special leave of the Court.

(2) When an appellant duly fills up and returns within the prescribed time to the Registrar Form 5 expressing a desire to be present at the hearing and determination by the Court of the applications mentionedd in this rule, such form shall be deemed to be an application by the appellant for leave to be so present. The Registrar, on receiving the said form, shall take the necessary steps for placing the said application before the Court. If the said application to be present is refused by the Court, the Registrar shall notify the appellant; and if the said application is granted, the Registrar shall notify the appellant. and the officer in charge of the prison wherein the appellant is in custody, as provided by these rules. For the purpose of constituting a Court the judge who has refused any such application may sit as a member of such Court, and take part in determining such application.

(3) Except where otherwise provided in these Rules, any application to Application the Court may be made by the appellant or respondent, or by counsel on their not specially behalf, orally or in writing ; but in regard to such applications, if the appellant provided is unrepresented and is in custody and is not entitled or has not obtained leave made. to be present before the Court, he shall make any such application by forwarding the same in writing to the Registrar who shall take the proper steps to obtain the decision of the Court thereron.

(4) In all proceedings before a Judge under regulation 36 of the Solicitor's Regulations, and in all preliminary and interlocutory proceedings and applica-right of audience. tions except such as are heard before the Court, the parties thereto may be represented and appear by a solicitor alone.

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Notice of application for leave to appeal. Criminal Form 1.

13. Where the Court has, on a notice of application for leave to appeal duly served and in Form I in Appendix C, given an appellant leave to appeal, it shall not be necessary for such appellant to give any notice of appeal but the notice of application for leave to appeal shall in such case be deemed to be a notice of appeal.

#### Suspension of Orders and Admission to Bail

of a fine, and in default of payment to imprisonment, and such person remains

of appeal, to be a person sentenced to imprisonment.

14. (1) Where a person has, on his conviction, been sentenced to payment

Person in custody in default of in custody in default of payment of the fine, he shall be deemed, for purposes payment of fine.

Power of Court of trial to impose recognizances.

Criminal Forms 6 and 7.

Appellant committing breach of recognizance. **Criminal** Forms 8 and 9.

Repayment of fine on success of appeal.

Temporary suspension of orders made on conviction awards, costs, etc.

(2) Where any person has been convicted and is thereupon sentenced to the payment of a fine, and, in default of such payment, to imprisonment, and he intimates to the Judge of the Court below that he is desirous of appealing to the Court against his conviction, such Judge may, if he thinks right so to do, order such person forthwith to enter into recognizances in such amount, and with or without sureties in such amount, as such Judge may think right, to prosecute his appeal, and, subject thereto, may order that payment of the said fine shall be made at the final determination of his said appeal, if the same be dismissed, to the Registrar of the Court below, or as the Court may then order. The recognizances under this rule shall be in Forms 6 and 7 of Appendix C.

The Registrar of the Court below shall forward the recognizances of the appellant and his surety or sureties to the Registrar of the Court.

(3) If an appellant to whom sub-rule (2) of this rule applies does not serve in accordance with these Rules a notice of appeal or of abandonment of his appeal within fourteen days from the date of his conviction or sentence, the Registrar of the Court below shall report such omission to the Court, who may, after notice in Forms 8 and 9 in Appendix C has been given to the appellant and his sureties, if any, order an estreat of the recognizances of the appellant and his sureties, and the manner of such estreat shall be that provided for estreating recognizances under the law of the Territory from which the appeal is brought, and may issue a warrant for the apprehension of the appellant and may commit him to prison in default of payment of his fine, or may make such other order as it may think right.

(4) An appellant who has been sentenced to the payment of a fine, and has paid the same or part thereof in accordance with such sentence, shall, in the event of his appeal being successful, be entitled, subject to any order of the Court, to the return of the sum or any part thereof so paid by him.

15. (1) Where, on the conviction of a person, the Judge of the Court below makes an order condemning such person to the payment of the whole or of any part of the costs and expenses of the prosecution for the offence of which he shall be convicted out of any moneys taken from such person on his as to money, apprehension or otherwise or where such Judge lawfully makes on the conviction of any person before him any order for the payment of money by such convicted person or by any other person or any order affecting the rights or property of such convicted person the operation of such orders shall in any of such cases be suspended until the expiration of fourteen days after the day

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on which any of such orders were made. And in cases where notice of appeal or notice of application for leave to appeal is given within fourteen days from and after the date of the verdict against such person such orders shall be further suspended until the determination of the appeal against the conviction in relation to which they were made. The Court may, by order, annul any order to which this rule refers on the determination of any appeal under the Regulations or may vary such order, and such order, if annulled, shall not take effect, and, if varied, shall take effect as so varied.

The proper officer of the Court below shall keep a record of any orders to which this rule refers.

(2) Where upon the conviction of any person of any offence, the trial Suspension court orders that any disqualification, forfeiture or disability attach to such of disqualiperson, and notice of appeal or notice of application to appeal is given, the consequent Federal Supreme Court may upon application suspend such disqualification, on convictor forfeiture or disability until the determination of the proceedings upon appeal. tion.

(3) Where the Judge of the Court below makes any such order on a Judge's person convicted before him, as in this rule mentioned, he shall give such directions directions as he thinks right as to the retention, by any person, of any money as to or valuable securities belonging to the person so convicted and taken from such of convicted person on his apprehension or of any money or valuable securities at the date person of his conviction in the possession of the prosecution for the period of ten pending days, or in the event of an appeal, until the determination thereof by the Court. appeal. The proper officer of the Court below shall keep a record of any directions given under this rule.

(4) When the Judge of the Court below on the conviction of a person Judge's before him makes any order for the payment of money by such person or by any directions other person upon such conviction, and, by reason of this rule, such order would as to otherwise be suspended, such Judge may, if he things right so to do, direct that securing payment of the operation of such order shall not be suspended unless the person on whom money by such order has been made shall, in such manner and within such time as the convicted said Judge shall direct, give security by way of undertaking or otherwise for person the payment to the person in whose favour such order shall have been made of appeal. Such security may be to the satisfaction of the person in whose favour the order for payment shall have been made or of any other person as such Judge shall direct.

(5) Where on a conviction any property, matters or things, the subject Suspension of the prosecution or connected therewith, are to be or may be ordered to be of order of destroyed or forfeited under the provisions of any regulation, 'statute, act or destruction other law, the destruction or forfeiture or order for destruction or forfeiture or forfeiture or forfeiture of property. thereof shall be suspended for the period of fourteen days from and after the date on which the verdict on such indictment was returned, and in the event of an appeal under the Regulations, shall be further suspended until the determination thereof by the Court.

(6) Where, upon conviction of any person of any offence, any claim Suspension may be made or any proceedings may be taken under any regulation, statute, of proceedact or other law against such person or any other person in consequence of ings or such conviction, such proceedings shall not be taken until after the period of sequent on fourteen days from the date on which the verdict against such person was conviction. returned nor in the event of an appeal under the Regulations to the Court until the determination thereof.

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Person affected

(7) Any person affected by any orders which are suspended under this rule may, with the leave of the Court, be heard on the final determination of may appear. any appeal, before any such orders are varied or annulled by the Court.

### Procedure on application for bail. Right of Sureties. Estreat of Recognizances.

16. (1) Where the Court or the Court below admits an appellant to bail Appellant and surety's pending the determination of his appeal on an application by him duly made, recognithe said Court shall specify the amounts in which the appellant and his surety zances or sureties (unless the said Court directs that no surety is required) shall be before bound by recognizance, and shall direct, if it thinks right so to do, before whom whom to be taken. the recognizances of the appellant and his surety or sureties (if any) may be taken.

> (2) In the event of such Court not making any special order or giving any special directions under this rule, the recognizances of the appellant and of his surety or sureties (if any) may be taken before a Magistrate or Justice of the Peace.

Form of recognizances. Criminal Forms 10 and 11.

(3) The recognizances provided for in this rule shall be in Forms 10 and 11 in Appendix C.

(4) The Registrar of the Court below shall forward the recognizances of the appellant and his surety or sureties to the Registrar.

(5) An appellant who has been admitted to bail shall be personally Presence of present at each and every hearing of his appeal and at the final determination appellant on bail at thereof. The Court may, in the event of such appellant not being present at hearing of any hearing of his appeal, if it thinks right so to do, decline to consider the his appeal. Warrant for appeal, and may proceed summarily to dismiss the same, and may issue a apprehenwarrant for the apprehension of the appellant in Form 12 in Appendix C:

sion of appellant on Provided that the Court may consider the appeal in his absence, or make such other order as it may think fit. Criminal

Form 12. Varying

bail.

order for bail.

Power to revoke order for hail Criminal Form 12.

any such order previously made, or enlarge from time to time the recognizances of the appellant or of his sureties or substitute any other surety for a surety previously bound as it thinks right. (7) At any time after an appellant has been released on bail, the Court or, where the appellant was released on bail by the Court before which he was

an application made by any person, or, if it thinks right so to do, without any

application, make any order admitting the appellant to bail, or revoke or vary

(6) When an appellant is present before the Court, the Court may, on

convicted, the said Court may, if satisfied that it is in the interest of justice so to do, revoke the order admitting to bail, and issue a warrant in Form 12 in Appendix C for his apprehension, and order him to be committed to prison.

(8) The Court may on any breach of the recognizances of the appellant, if it thinks right so to do, order such recognizances and those of his surety or sureties to be estreated, and the manner of such estreat shall be similar to that provided under the law of the Territory from which the appeal is brought.

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#### Abandonment of Appeal

17. (1) An appellant at any time after he has duly served notice of appeal Abandonor of application for leave to appeal, or of application for extension of time ment of appeal. within which such notice shall be given, may abandon his appeal by giving notice of abandonment thereof in Form 13 in Appendix C to the Registrar, Criminal and upon such notice being given the appeal shall be deemed to have been Form 13. dismissed by the Court.

(2) Upon receipt of a notice of abandonment duly completed and signed or marked by the appellant or the party authorised to sign notices under rule 3 of this order, the Registrar shall give notices thereof in Form 14. Criminal in Appendix C to the respondent, the Prison Authority and the Registrar of Form 14. the Court below, and in the case of an appeal against a conviction involving a sentence of death, shall in like manner give notice to the Secretary to the Governor; for the information of the Governor or the Senior Administrative Officer in charge of any Territory and the Registrar shall also return to the Registrar of the Court below any original documents and exhibits received from him.

# Determination of Appeal

18. Where, upon the trial of a person entitled to appeal against his Varying conviction, an order of restitution of any property to any person has been order of made by the Judge of the Court below, the person in whose favour or against of property. whom the order of restitution has been made, and, with the leave of the Court, any other person, shall, on the final hearing by the Court of an appeal against the conviction on which such order of restitution was made, be entitled to be heard by the Court before any order annulling or varying such order of restitution is made.

19. Unless the Court direct to the contrary in cases where, in the Judgments opinion of the Court, the question is a quesion of law on which it would be of the convenient that separate judgments should be pronounced by the Judges of Court. the Court, the judgment of the Court shall be pronounced by the presiding Judge or such other Judge of the Court hearing the appeal as he may direct, and no judgment with respect to the determination of any question shall be separately pronounced by any other member of the Court.

20. (1) On the final determination of any appeal or of any application to Notification the Court, the Registrar shall give to the appellant, if he be in custody and of final determinahas not been present at such final determination, and to the respondent and tion of the Prison Authority notice of such determination in Forms 15 to 18 in appeals. Appendix C.

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(2) In any case of an appeal in relation to a conviction involving a Notification sentence of death, the Registrar shall on receiving the notice of appeal or of of appeal any application for leave to appeal, send copies thereof to the Secretary to the in capital Governor for the information of the Governor or the Senior Administrative cases. Officer in charge of any Territory and to the Prison Authority, and on the final determination of any such appeal by the Court shall forthwith notify the

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appellant, the Secretary to the Governor for the information of the Governor or the Senior Administrative Officer in charge of any Territory, the respondent and the Prison Authority thereof.

21. (1) The Registrar at the final determination of an appeal shall notify Notification of result of in such manner as he thinks most convenient to the Registrar of the Court below the decision of the Court in relation thereto and also any orders or directions made or given by the Court in relation to such appeal or any matter connected therewith.

Entry of (2) The Registrar of the Court below shall on receiving the notification decision referred to in this rule enter the particulars thereof on the records of such of Court on records. Court.

The Registrar of the Court below shall not issue, under any law 22. Restrictions on issue of authorising him so to do, a certificate of conviction of any person convicted in certificate the Court below if notice of appeal or notice of application for leave to appeal on conis given, until the determination or abandonment thereof. viction.

> Upon the final determination of an appeal for the purposes of which 23. the Registrar has obtained from the Registrar of the Court below any original depositions, exhibits, information, inquisition, plea, or other documents usually kept by such Registrar, or forming part of the record of the Court below, the Registrar shall, where practicable, cause the same to be returned to the Registrar of the Court below.

#### Procedure as to Witnesses before Court and their examination before examiner.

24. (1) Where the Court has ordered any witness to attend and be Attendance examined before the Court an order in Form 19 in Appendix C shall be of witness before the served upon such witness specifying the time and place at which to attend Court. for such purpose. Criminal Form 19.

(2) Such order may be made on the application, at any time, of the Application to Court to appellant or respondent, but if the appellant is in custody and not legally hear witrepresented the application shall be made in Form 20 in Appendix C. nesses. Criminal Form 20.

Order appointing examiner.

(3) Where the Court orders the examination of any witness to be conducted otherwise than before the Court itself, such order shall specify the person appointed as examiner to take, and the place of taking, such examination and the witness or witnesses to be examined thereat.

Furnishing examiner with exhibits, etc., necessary for examination.

(4) The Registrar shall furnish to the person appointed to take such examination any documents or exhibits and any other material relating to the said appeal as and when requested to do so. Such documents and exhibits and other material shall after the examination has been concluded be returned by the examiner, together with any depositions taken by him under this rule. to the Registrar.

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appeal.

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Form 18.

Return of

depositions,

original

etc.

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(5) When the examiner has appointed the day and time for the Notification examination he shall request the Registrar to notify the appellant or respon- of date of dent and their legal representatives, if any, and when the appellant is in prison, examination. the Prison Authority thereof. The Registrar shall cause to be served on every Criminal witness to be examined a notice in Form 21 in Appendix C.

(6) Every witness examined before an examiner under this rule shall Evidence give his evidence upon oath to be administered by such examiner, except where to be taken any such witness if giving evidence as a witness on a trial on indictment need not be sworn.

(7) The examination of every such witness shall be taken in the form Deposition of a deposition and unless otherwise ordered shall be taken in private. The how to be caption in Form 22 in Appendix C shall be attached to any such deposition. Criminal

Form 22.

(8) Where any witness shall receive an order or notice to attend before Expenses of the Court or an examiner, the Registrar may, if it appears to him necessary before so to do, pay to such witness a reasonable sum for his expenses.

(9) The appellant and his legal representative (if any) and the respon-Presence of parties at dent shall be entitled to be present at and take part in any examination of any examination witness to which this rule relates.

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25. When an order of reference is made by the Court to a special Proceedings commissioner, the question to be referred, and the person to whom as special on reference. Court may in such order, or by giving directions as and when it from time to time shall think right, specify whether the appellant or respondent or any person on their behalf may be present at any examination or investigation or at any stage thereof as may be ordered, and specify any and what powers of the Court may be delegated to such special commissioner, and may require him from time to time to make interim reports to the Court upon the question referred to him, and may, if the appellant is in custody, give leave to him to be present at any stage of such examination or investigation and give the necessary directions to the Prison Authority accordingly, and may give directions to the Registrar that copies of any report made by such special commissioner shall be furnished to the appellant and respondent.

#### Case stated under regulation 37 of the Regulations

26. (1) The Judge of the Court below shall forward any case stated by him Judge to in pursuance of regulation 37 of the Regulations to the Registrar who shall forward on receiving the same send a copy of such case to the appellant and respondent to Registrar respectively.

special case to Registrar and copies to be supplied to appellant and respondent.

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These Rules (2) Where under the provisions of regulation 37 of the Regulations, to apply to convicted the Judge of the Court below states a case for the consideration of the Court, persons the person convicted shall for the purposes of these rules be deemed to be an where case appellant who has appealed under regulation 21 of the Regulations, provided stated under that in such case regulation 35(2) thereof shall not apply. 37.

#### Windward Islands and Leeward Islands

Ascertainment of Territory in which Supreme Court, Windwards and Leewards exer-27. For the purposes of paragraph (2) of article 83 of the Constitutfor the Windward Islands and Leevard Islands in any criminal cause or matter shall be deemed to be made in the exercise of its jurisdiction in that Territory in which is situated the Supreme Court Registry where the information or charge the subject matter of the criminal cause or matter was properly lodged.

#### ORDER IV

#### APPEALS TO PRIVY COUNCIL

Application 1. (1) Any person aggrieved by the order of a single judge made in to vary exercise of his powers under regulation 54 of the Regulations may within seven order of days of such order apply to the Court (consisting of three judges) to vary, made under discharge or reverse the order.

regulation (2) An application under this rule shall be by motion supported by Regulations affidavit a copy of which shall be served with the motion.

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NOTICE OF APPEAL

(*Territory*)..... Civil Appeal No.....of 19.... Between .....(Plaintiff/Defendant)* Appellant(s)and .....(Plaintiff/Defendant)* Respondent(s) TAKE NOTICE that the (Plaintiff/Defendant) Appellant being dissatisfied with the decision/that part of the decision* more particularly stated in paragraph 2 hereof of the ..... (Court)..... contained in the judgment/order* of ..... dated the ..... ..... day of ..... 19...., doth hereby appeal to the Federal Supreme Court upon the grounds set out in paragraph 3 and will at the hearing of the appeal seek the relief set out in paragraph 4. And the Appellant further states that the names and addresses of the persons directly affected by the appeal are those set out in paragraph 5. [Insert here whole of part of decision of the lower Court complained 2. of] Grounds of Appeal. 3. (1)(2)(3), etc. 4. [Insert here the relief sought from the Federal Supreme Court] 5. Persons directly affected by the appeal : Name  $\mathbf{Address}$ (1)(2)(3), etc. DATED this .....day of .....19.....

Appellant(s).

*Strike out words inapplicable.

If appealing against the whole decision insert "Whole decision".

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CIVIL FORM 2

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#### NOTICE OF MOTION FOR SPECIAL LEAVE TO APPEAL

(*Territory*).....

Civil Appeal No.....of 19....

#### Between

.....(Plaintiff/Defendant)* Appellant(s) and

.....(Plaintiff/Defendant)* Respondent(s)

TAKE NOTICE that the Federal Supreme Court at .....

will be moved on the .....day of .....19.....

AND further take notice that the grounds of this application are :---

DATED this ..... day of .....19.....

Applicant or his Solicitor.

То

The Registrar,

Federal Supreme Court.

And †....

[†]Insert name of respondent. ^{*}Strike out words inapplicable.

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### CIVIL FORM 3

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NOTICE BY RESPONDENT OF INTENTION TO CONTEND THAT DECISION OF COURT BELOW BE VARIED

(Territory).....

Civil Appeal No.....of 19....

Between

.....(Plaintiff/Defendant)* Appellant(s) and

.....(Plaintiff/Defendant)* Respondent(s)

TAKE NOTICE that upon the hearing of the above appeal the Respondent herein intends to contend that the decision of the (Court

AND TAKE NOTICE that the grounds on which the Respondent intends to rely are as follows :---

1.2.

3, etc.

DATED this ..... day of ..... 19.....

(Respondent(s)

To ..... (Appellant) and to the Registrar.

*Strike out words inapplicable. †State the variation which will be asked for.

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### CIVIL FORM 4

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NOTICE BY RESPONDENT OF INTENTION TO RELY UPON PRELIMINARY OBJECTION

(*Territory*).....

Civil Appeal No..... of 19....

Between

......(Plaintiff/Defendant)* Appellant(s) and .....(Plaintiff/Defendant)* Respondent(s)

TAKE NOTICE that the Respondent herein named intends, at the hearing of this appeal, to rely upon the following preliminary objection notice whereof is hereby given to you, viz :---

AND TAKE NOTICE that the grounds of the said objection are as follows :---

1. 2. 3, etc.

DATED this ..... day of ..... 19.....

(Plaintiff/Defendant)* Respondent(s)

To the above-named (Plaintiff/Defendant)* Appellant(s).

*Strike out words inapplicable.

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O. II, r. 8(1).

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SUMMONS TO PARTIES BY REGISTRAR TO SETTLE RECORD

( <i>Territory</i> )
Civil Appeal Noof 19
Between
(Plaintiff/Defendant)* Appellant(s)
and
(Plaintiff/Defendant)* Respondent(s)
TAKE NOTICE that all parties concerned are required to attend
before me at the Registry of the Supreme Court at
onday of19,
at the hour of noon to

proceed with settling of the record of appeal herein.

Registrar (of Court below)

То

*Strike out words inapplicable.
· . . . .

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O. II, r. 13(1)(i)(b).

CIVIL FORM 6

# IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE OF NOTICE OF APPEAL

(*Territory*).....

Civil Appeal No.....of 19....

Between

.....(Plaintiff/Defendant)* Appellant (s) and

.....(Plaintiff/Defendant)* Respondent (s)

That notice of appeal in the above appeal filed herein on the ......

day of ..... 19...., was duly served upon .....

the Respondent herein, (here state mode of service) .....

on the ...... day of ..... 19...., in accordance with the Federal Supreme Court (Appeal) Rules, 1958.

Before me

Commissioner of Affidavits

This affidavit is filed on behalf of .....

*Strike out words inapplicable.

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0. II, r. 13(2).

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NOTICE TO THE RESPONDENT OF FILING OF RECORD

( <i>Territory</i> )	
 Civil Appeal No	
Between	
 (Plaintiff/Defendant)*	Appellant (s)
and	
 . (Plaintiff/Defendant)* ]	Respondent (s)

TAKE NOTICE that the above-named Appellant has duly filed the record and documents required to be filed pursuant to Order II rule 13(1) of the Federal Supreme Court (Appeal) Rules, 1958.

DATED this ..... day of ..... 19.....

Registrar (of Court below)

To The Respondent, etc.

*Strike out words inapplicable.

O. II, r. 13(3)(b).

#### CIVIL FORM 8

## IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

NOTICE TO PARTIES OF DESPATCH OF RECORD

(Territory)....

Civil Appeal No.....of 19.... Between

.....(Plaintiff/Defendant)* Appellant(s) and

.....(Plaintiff/Defendant)* Respondent(s) TAKE NOTICE that the record in the above-named appeal has this day been forwarded to the Registrar of the Federal Supreme Court.

DATED this ..... day of ..... 19.....

	Registrar	(of Court	below)	
$\dots$ Appellant(s)				-

and ..... (Respondent(s)

*Strike out words inapplicable.

То .....

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O. II, r. 14.

CIVIL FORM 9

# IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

# NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPEAL

(*Territory*).....

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Civil Appeal No.....of 19....

Between

.....(Plaintiff/Defendant)* Appellant(s) and

TAKE NOTICE that the Appellant(s) herein intend(s) and doth hereby wholly withdraw his/their appeal against (all) the Respondent(s) in the above-mentioned appeal.

DATED at ...... this ..... day of ......19.....

Appellant(s)

The Registrar,

Federal Supreme Court.

And to ..... Respondent(s) and the Registrar of the Court below.

*Strike out words inapplicable.

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# CIVIL FORM 10

# IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CERTIFICATE BY REGISTRAR OF WITHDRAWAL OF APPEAL

( <i>Territory</i> )
Civil Appeal Noof 19
Between
(Plaintiff/Defendant)* Appellant(s)
and
I HEREBY CERTIFY that the Appellant(s) in the above-mentioned
appeal has/have on the day of 19 filed notice of withdrawal of the appeal herein.
DATED at

Registrar of the Court.

*Strike out words inapplicable,

O. II, r. 20(3).

# CIVIL FORM 11

# IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

BOND FOR COSTS ON APPEAL

	( <i>Territory</i> )
	Civil Appeal No of 19
Know all men, by these presents	, that we
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and	of
and	of
are jointly and severally held and fi	rmly bound to
ofin the su	um ofdollars
of lawful money to be paid to the s	aid

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his executors, administrators or assigns, for which payment well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, and each of us for himself, in the whole our and every of our heirs, executors and administrators, firmly by these presents.

(Sgd.)	(Appellant)
	(Surety)
	(Surety).

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DATED the ..... day of ....., in the year of Our Lord, 19.....

WHEREAS a suit is now depending in the Court at
wherein the above-bounden
is Plaintiff and the saidis Defendant ;

	AND	WHE	REAS	a	judgn	nent	was	$\mathbf{given}$	by	$\mathbf{the}$	Court	t th	iereii	ı, on
$_{\mathrm{the}}$	, .			day	of .				• • •	• • • •	• <u>•</u> ••••	for	,the	said
• • • •	•••••											•••	and	the
said						• • • •							has	filed
Noti	ce of .	Appea	l from	the	said	jud	gmen	t;					·	

AND WHEREAS it is by law provided that the party appealing shall give security to the satisfaction of the Registrar of the (*Court below*) for the due prosecution of the appeal and for the payment of any costs which may be ordered to be paid by the appellant.

AND WHEREAS the above-named ....., at the request and ....., at the request of the said ..... have agreed to enter into this obligation for the purposes aforesaid :

Now the condition of this obligation is such, that if the said ..... shall duly prosecute the appeal and if the above-bounden .....

and ..... any or either of them shall pay any costs which may be ordered to be paid by the appellant this obligation shall be void, otherwise remain in full force.

Signed and delivered in the presence of			(L.S.) (L.S.)
	)		(L.S.)

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# IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CERTIFICATE OF THE ORDER OF THE COURT

	(Territory)
·	Civil Appeal No of 19
Appeal from the	·····
of the	
dated the day	of 19
	· · · ·
	$\dots\dots\dots Motion$
••••	Appeal No.
	(Plaintiff/Defendant)* Appellant(s) v.
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(Plaintiff/Defendant)* Respondent (s)
.t	
This appeal coming on for l	nearing on the day
of 19	before
in the presence of	
for the Appellant(s), and for the Respondent(s).	
I HEREBY CERTIFY that a	an Order was made as follows :—
Given under my hand and th	e Seal of the Court this
day of	. 19
	Presiding Judge.

Registrar.

*Strike out words inapplicable. †Insert "President" or "Presiding Judge."

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CIVIL FORM 13

# IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

#### NOTICE OF TAXATION

(*Territory*).....

Civil Appeal No..... of 19....

Between

# ..(Plaintiff/Defendant)* Appellant (s)

#### and

.....(Plaintiff/Defendant)* Respondent(s)

Your absence notwithstanding.

DATED at ..... this ..... day of ..... 19.....

Taxing Master.

To the above-named Appellant of .....

and ..... (Respondent) of .....

*Strike out words inapplicable.

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# APPENDIX B

# PART I

# Fees of Court in Civil Appeals or Appeals from the Court exercising its original jurisdiction.

# To be paid to the Registrar of the Federal Supreme Court Under Order II rule 29

		£.	s.	d. 01	• ¢ 6
1.	On filing notice of appeal against a final judgment or decision, entering the appeal for hearing and on judgment thereunder an inclusive fee of	2.	s. 10.	0	Ψ Ψ 12.00
2,	On filing respondent's notice of intention to contend that decision of Court below be				12.00
3.	varied	1.	0.	0	4.80
	point of law or demurrer for argument, entering same for hearing and cn judgment thereunder an inclusive fee of	· 1.	10.	. 0	7.20
4.	On filing notice of appeal against an interlocutory order or decision, entering the appeal for hearing and on judgmeni thereunder an inclusive fee of	1.	10.	0	7.20
5.	On making any application not otherwise specifically provided for, and for filing judgment or order thereunder an inclu- sive fee of	1.	0.	0	4.80
6.	On filing bond to secure costs of appeal	2.	10.	0	2.40
3. 7.	On filing motion for leave to appeal to Privy Council	1	10.	0	2.40
8.	On filing every bond where the appeal is to Privy Council		10.	0	2.40
9.	On filing order for leave to appeal to Privy Council		10.	0	2.40
10.	On appointment to settle record on appeal to Privy Council	,	5.	0	1.20
. 11.	On sealing record on appeal to the Privy Council		10.	0	2.40
12.	On filing every document or exhibit for which no special fee is provided		2.	6	.60
13.	On taxation of bill of costs including certificate		10.	0	2.40
14.	On certifying any document as an office copy		5.	0	1.20
15.	If in a foreign language, the actual cost of making and examining the copy, and, in addition, for marking and sealing the				
	copy as an office copy		5.	0	1.20
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		£.	s.	d. (	or\$¢	· .
16.	For an office copy of a plan, map, section, drawing, photograph or diagram the actual cost of making and examining the copy, and, in addition, for marking and sealing the copy as an office copy		.5.	0	1.20	
17.	Justice or a Court, per folio of 100 words But with a minimum fee, for one set of		_	6	.12	
	reasons, of		5.	0	1.20	
	reasons of	5.	5.	0	25.20	
18.	For a copy of a report of a Registrar per folio of 100 words			6	.12	
19.	Registrar of any bond		5.	0	1.20	
20.	ing three persons		5.	0	1.20	
21.	For a certificate of a Registrar for which no special fee is provided		5.	0	1.20	
22.	On obtaining appointment for examination of a witness before an officer of the Court or other person	•	5.	0	1.20	
23.	In respect of every witness examined by an officer or other person in his office, for	÷		-		
24.	each hour or part of an hour For an examination of witnesses away from the office of the examiner, the reason- able travelling and other expenses in addition to the fee chargeable under Item 23		5.	0	1.20	
25.26.	For making every search		2.	6	.60	
	the first folio		1.	0	.24	
	For every other folio or part thereof			6	.12	

# PART II

# Fees payable to Court from which appeeal is brought Under Order II rule 29

1.	On office copies of any document to be in-			
	cluded in record—including judges' notes			
	of evidence, for the first folio to consist			
	of 100 words	1.	0	.24
	For every other folio or part thereof		6	.12
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3. Transcript of shorthand writer's notes, such fee as may be determined by the Registrar The fees to be taken in the offices of the

Sheriff, Marshal or a Deputy Marshal are the same as those which, by the practice of the Supreme Court of the Territory in which the proceeding is taken or the act is done or authorised are required to be taken by the Sheriff, Marshal or Deputy Marshal in respect of a like proceeding or act in a cause pending in that Court.

# PART III

# Legal Practitioners' Fees in Civil Appeals and in Appeals from the Court exercising its original jurisdiction. Schedule of Allowances

[Save in respect of item 19, a folio shall consist of one hundred words (or figures) or parts thereof; four figures to count as a word.]

	Instructions	£.	s.	dor	r\$¢
1.	Instructions to file notice of appeal (in- cluding grounds of appeal) Instructions to file notice of cross appeal	2.	2.	0	10.08
<b></b> .	(including grounds of appeal)	2.	2.	0	10.08
3.	<i>i</i> 11	-		0	
·A	to an appeal	1.	1.	0	5.04
4.	Instructions to appear for the respondent to any application to an appeal	1.	1.	0	5.04
5.	Instructions to file case stated or special case having regard to the amount involved in the appeal, its nature, importance and difficulty, the interest of the parties, the other costs to be allowed, the general con- duct of the proceedings and all ther rele-				
_	vant circumstances	2.	2.	0	10.08
6.	Instructions for affidavit and for any other interlocutory matter, the charge for which			-	
	is not specified in these scales		10.	6	2.52
7.	Instructions for brief to counsel to advise or to settle pleadings. This will be allow- ed where justifiable under the circum-				
	stances of the particular case	1.	1.	0	5.04

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Drawing notices of appeal and other documents

8.	Drawing notice of appeal including grounds of appeal	per folio for the first 20 folios	
9.		$3s. 0d. \text{ or } 72\phi$	
	Drawing a case stated	and thereafter	
	-	per folio	
11.	Drawing notice of cross appeal, including grounds of appeal	1s. 6d. or $36\phi$ (The minimum charge	
10		under these items	
12.	Drawing any order	shall be £1. 1s. 0d	
13.	Drawing any petition, affidavit, any notice except a formal notice, summons, further particulars or request for further par- ticulars	or \$5.04 save that the minimum shall not apply in the case of verifying	
14.	Drawing any writs of execution, arrest or attachment and any other important docu- ment not otherwise provided for/	affidavits of service and other formal affidavits).	
		$\pounds$ . s. d. or $\phi$	
15.	Drawing index of record or any index to to brief		
16.	Drafting Instructions to Counsel with brief on any matter	3. 0 .72 per folio	
17.	Drawing any subpoena or any formal		
	notice—each document	5. $0$ 1.20	
18.	Drafting a letter or telegram	7. 6 1.80	
	If more than one folio, for each additional		
	folio	1. 6 .36	
10	Copy to keep, where necessary, per folio	6 .12	
19.	Drawing Bill of Costs, per folio	3. 0 .72	
	figure comprised in a column or author- ized to be used being counted as one word.		
	Copying		
20.	Copies of the record on appeal, if prepared by the appellant's attorney or solicitor, such fee for the first copy and such fee for additional copies as the Registrar may consider reasonable.		
	(If not prepared by the appellant's attorney or solicitor the reasonable cost of the record as a disbursement).		
21.	Court, for counsel, for the attorney or		
	for service or for any other necessary pur-	1 0 94	
	pose, for the first copy per folio	1. 0 .24	
	For each additional copy per folio	6 .12	
	Attendances		
22.	At the Registry (clerk's attendance)	6. 8 1.60	
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		On the Registrar in chambers at the rate per hour or part thereof (to be increased at the discretion of the Taxing Officer)	1.	1.	0	5.04
	24.	On an opposite party, if necessary and proper, the like as under the preceding items.				
	25.	On a Judge in chambers—at the rate per hour or part thereof (to be increased at the discretion of the Taxing Officer)		11.	6	7.56
	26.	In Court where matter listed but not reached, on any day for each hour or part thereof necessarily and justifiably spent		1.	0	5.04
	27.	Attendance on receipt of letter or tele-	т.	. <b>.</b>		0.01
		gram		5.	0	1.20
		Attendance on receipt of formal acknow- ledgment		3.	4	.80
	29.	Other merely formal attendances including attendances to file, to swear affidavits or to bespeak copies		6.	8	<b>1.6</b> 0
	30.	Attendances not purely formal and includ- ing attendances on witnesses and others to obtain statements and other materials for brief on trial or for use at trial but not including attendances to represent parties at hearing in Court or chambers; such fee as may be reasonable according to circumstances with a minimum fee of in respect of each hour or part thereof	1.	1.	0	5.04
	31.		1.	1.	0	5.04
	32.	Attendance before a Registrar in chambers on taxation matters for each hour or part thereof	1.	1.	0	5.04
	33.	Attending at hearing as solicitor of an appeal or any other matter in Court for each day as may be necessary such sum as may, in the opinion of the Taxing Officer be reasonable not being less than	3.	3.	. 0	15.12
	34.		1.	1.	0	5.04
	35.	Attendance upon a shorthand writer to obtain copy of transcript for appellate purposes	·	10.	6	2.52
	36.	Attending to issue writ of execution		10.	6	2.52
		Any attendance not specifically provided for		7.	6	1.80

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38. Journeys necessarily undertaken. An allowance for the time necessarily occupied on the journey and, in the case of a journey to attend the trial, to include an allowance for the time which, in the opinion of the Taxing Officer, a legal representative is necessarily detained at the place of trial. Such sum per day, including Sundays, as the Taxing Officer may think reasonable, not to exceed 5. 5.Disbursements for fares, hotel and transport expenses are also to be allowed, but not for normal out of pocket expenses other than board and lodging. The disbursement allowed for travelling by motor car shall be at the rate of 1s. per mile provided the total distance travelled exceeds three miles. For journevs under three miles no allowance shall be made for travelling by motor car. 39. Agency correspondence if shown to the satisfaction of the Taxing Officer that such correspondence has been necessary and reasonable. Such sums as would be allowed under items 18 or 40. 40. Letters, messages, etc. Such fee including letters not otherwise allowed between party and party as the Taxing Officer may consider reasonable not exceeding . . Perusals

41.	Perusals of any necessary docu	iments				
	for the first 10 folios—per folio		••	2.	0	.48
	For each subsequent folio	••	••	0.	6	.12
	Disbursements					

42. All Court fees, counsel's fees and other fees and payments which, in the opinion of the Taxing Officer have been properly paid, shall be allowed

Maps, Plans and Models

43. The Taxing Officer may allow such fees for maps, plans and models for use at the trial or hearing as he considers reasonable.

Marshal, Sheriff and Bailiff's Fees

44 There shall be paid to Sheriffs, Marshals and Bailiffs, such fees and travelling and subsistence allowances as are by Terri-

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torial law prescribed for the service or execution of any summons, warrant, writ, or other process of the Supreme Court of the Territory in which the execution or service is sought to be levied or effected.

# PART IV

# Witnesses', Interpreters', Special Commissioners' and Examiners' Fees.

# Under Order II, rule 41.

#### Subsistence Allowances payable to Witnesses.

1. Subject to the provisions of this Part, a subsistence allowance shall be paid to a witness at the following rate —

- (a) in the case of a professional man or a person who is earning at a rate in excess of £1,000 (or \$4,800.00) per annum, £1. 1s. 0d. per hour but not exceeding £3. 3s. 0d. (or \$15.12) per day;
- (b) in all other cases at the rate prescribed by the rules of the Supreme Court of the Territory where the Court is sitting.

2. No allowance shall be paid in any criminal proceeding to a witness who is an officer in the public service of the Federation or a Territory other than an hourly or daily paid employee.

3. A subsistence allowance shall only be paid to a witness in respect of the period during which he is necessarily detained and which is reasonably spent in travelling to and from the place where the Court is sitting.

4. No additional subsistence allowance shall be payable to a witness who gives evidence in more than one case on the same day.

5. By order of the Court a qualifying fee may be allowed to a witness in a proper case at the same rate as would be allowed to him for attending the Court.

#### Remuneration of Interpreters

6. Interpreters shall be paid at the rate prescribed by the rules of the Supreme Court of the Territory where the Court is sitting.

No remuneration will be paid in any criminal proceeding to an interpreter who is a member of the Federal or Territorial Public Services.

The Registrar may increase the scales of remuneration prescribed in this Part if, in his opinion, strict adherence to such scales would cause undue hardship.

#### Travelling Allowances payable to witnesses, special Commissioners and Assessors

7. Subject to the provisions of this Part, a witness, special commissioner or assessor who travels by air, rail or other public conveyance shall be entitled to a refund of the actual fare paid by him.

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8. If the journey cannot be reasonably performed by air, rail or other public conveyance, a witness, special commissioner or assessor may use his own mode of transport and, in such case, shall be paid a travelling allowance at the following rate —

- (a) if motor transport is used, 1s. 0d. per mile or part thereof;
- (b) if motor-cycle transport is used, 4d. per mile or part thereof ;

(c) If cycle transport is used, 2d. per mile or part thereof.

9. If a witness, special commissioner or assessor conveys another person who is a witness, special commissioner or assessor in or on his own conveyance, the rate of allowance payable to him in terms of paragraph 2 shall be increased by an additional 2d. per mile or part thereof in respect of each person so conveyed.

10. A witness, special commissioner or assessor who travels in or on the conveyance of another person who is a witness, special commissioner or assessor shall not be entitled to any travelling allowance.

11. No travelling allowance shall be paid to a witness, special commissioner or assessor who resides within two miles of the place at which the Court is sitting.

12. When two or more modes or routes of travelling are reasonably available to a witness, special commissioner or assessor the travelling allowance payable to such person shall be at the rate for travelling by the mode or route which entails the least cost.

13. When a witness, special commissioner or assessor travels by rail, the travelling allowance payable to him shall be for travel by such class as he might reasonably be expected to travel.

#### Remuneration of Special Commissioners and Assessors.

14. A special commissioner or assessor shall be remunerated at the rate of  $\pounds 1$ . 1s. (\$5.04) per hour or part thereof, but his remuneration shall not exceed  $\pounds 5.5s$ . (\$25.20) per day.

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# APPENDIX C

CRIMINAL FORMS

Index of Forms.

Form No.		Appeal Rules No.	Description of Form
1	Order II	[—r.1 & 13	Notice of appeal or application for leave to appeal against conviction or sentence.
2	"	1 & 4	Notice of application for extension of time within which to appeal.
3	,,	2(1)	Judge's certificate.
4	"	12	Notification to appellant of a single Judge's decision.
5	"	12	Notice of appeal by appellant from refusal of a single Judge.
6	, ,,	14(2)	Recognizance of appellant sentenced to payment of a fine.
7	"	14(2)	Recognizance of sureties for appel- lant sentenced to a fine.
8	"	14 (3)	Notice of breach of his recognizance to appellant sentenced to a fine.
9	"	14(3)	Notice to surety for appellant of estreat of recognizances.
10	,,	16(3)	Recognizance of bail of appellant.
11	,,	16(3)	Recognizance of appellant's sureties.
12	<b>))</b> .	16(5) & (7)	Warrant for arrest of appellant on bail.
13	,,	17(1)	Notice of abandonment.
14	"	17 (2)	Notification of abandonment of appeal.
15	25 .	20 (1)	Notification to appellant of result of application.
16	"	20 (1)	Notice to authorities of result of application.
17	,,	20 (1)	Notification to appellant of the result of his appeal.
18	" "	20 (1) & 21,(1)	Notice to authorities of result of appeal.
19	>>	24'(1)	Order to witness to attend court for examination.
20	,,	24(2)	Appellant's application for further witness.
21	"	24'(5)	Notice to witness to attend before an examiner.
22	23.	24 (7)	Caption for deposition of witness examined before examnier.

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CRIMINAL FORM 1

# IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

NOTICE OF APPEAL OR APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO APPEAL AGAINST CONVICTION OR SENTENCE

(Territory) ..... Of 19....

TO THE REGISTRAR OF THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT.

Name of Appellant
Convicted at the (1)held at
Offence of which convicted (2)
Sentence
Date when convicted (3)
Date when sentence passed (3)
Name of Prison (4)
I the above-named appellant hereby give you notice that I desire
to appeal to the Federal Supreme Court against my (5) on the grounds hereinafter set forth on page 2 of this notice.
(Signed) (6)
Appellant.
Dated this (7)day ofA.D
QUESTIONS (8) ANSWERS
1. Did the judge before whom you were tried grant
you a certificate that it was a fit case for appeal?
2. Do you desire the Federal Supreme Court to assign you legal aid?

If your answer to this question is "Yes" then answer the following questions:—

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#### CRIMINAL FORM 1 (continued)

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- (a) What was your occupation and what wages, salary or income were you receiving before your conviction?
- (b) Have you any means to enable you to obtain legal aid for yourself?
- 3. Is any solicitor now acting for you? If so, give his name and address. ..
- 4. Do you desire to be present when the Court considers your appeal? (9) .. .. ..
- 5. Do you desire to apply for leave to call any witnesses on your appeal?
  If your answer to this question is "Yes," you must also fill in Form 20 and send it with this notice.

#### Grounds of Appeal or Application.

- (1) Assizes, or County, City or Borough Sessions.
- (2) e.g. Larceny, Forgery, Habitual Criminal.
- (3) Set out the actual date upon which the appellant was convicted.
- (4) If not in custody here set out appellant's address in full.
- (5) If the appellant wishes to appeal against conviction he must write the word "conviction." If he wishes to appeal against sentence he must write the word "sentence." If he wishes to appeal against both conviction and sentence he must write the words "conviction" and "sentence."
- (6) This notice must be signed by the appellant. If he cannot write he must affix his mark in the presence of a witness. The name and address of such attesting witness must be given.
- (7) If this notice is signed more than ten days after conviction or sentence appealed against the appellant must also fill in Form 3 and send it with this notice.
- (8) The appellant must answer each of these questions.
- (9) An appellant is not entitled to be present on the hearing of an application for leave to appeal.

These must be filled in before the notice is sent to the Registrar. The appellant must here set out the grounds or reasons he alleges why his conviction should be quashed or his sentence reduced.

If one of the grounds set out is "misdirection" by the judge, particulars of such alleged misdirection must be set out in this notice.

The appellant can also, if he wishes, set out, in addition to his above reasons, his case and argument fully.

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CRIMINAL FORM 2

# IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF THE TIME WITHIN WHICH TO APPEAL.

(*Territory*) .....

Criminal Appeal No..... of 19....

TO THE REGISTRAR OF THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT.

I, .....having

prisoner in Her Majesty's Prison at.....

*(or now living at.....), give *When you notice that I hereby apply to the Court for an extension of time applicant for any within which I may give Notice of Appeal (or Notice of Application for leave to Appeal) on the grounds following:--

· · ·	(Signed) (or mark)	Here set out clearly and concisely the reasons for the delay in giving such notice and
	Applicant.	the grounds on which
Signature and address of witness attesting mark		you submit the Court should extend the time.
Dated this	day of	

You are required to send to the Registrar of the Court, duly filled up Form 1, together with this Notice.

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# CRIMINAL FORM'3

# IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

JUDGE'S CERTIFICATE

(*Territory*) .....

Criminal Appeal No..... of 19....

#### REG. v.

In the.....Court of.....

holden at.....

•		WHEREAS the said was tried and convicted before me, the undersigned, in the said Court
State shortly offence,	the e.g	on theday of
larceny, murder, forgery,	۰.	on a charge ofand
etc.		was thereupon sentenced by me to

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the case is a fit case for an appeal

by the said.....

to the Court upon the following grounds:---

Here specify in general terms the grounds on which certificate granted.

Judge.

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CRIMINAL FORM 4

# IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

NOTIFICATION TO APPELLANT OF A SINGLE JUDGE'S DECISION

(*Territory*) .....

Criminal Appeal No..... of 19....

REG. v.

I hereby give you notice that a Judge of the Federal Supreme Court having considered your application(s) for—

(a) Leave to appeal;

- (b) For extension of time within which notice of appeal or of application for leave to appeal may be given;
- (c) Permission to be present during the hearing of any proceedings in your appeal;

(d) Admission to bail;

(e) Leave to withdraw abandonment of appeal;

has refused the application(s) marked......(and has granted your application(s) marked.....).

If you desire to have the above-mentioned application(s), which have been refused, determined by the Court, you are required to fill up the enclosed form and return it to me forthwith.

Signed . . . . . . .

Registrar, Federal Supreme Court.

To the above-named.

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# CRIMINAL FORM 5

# IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

NOTICE OF APPEAL BY APPELLANT FROM REFUSAL OF A SINGLE JUDGE

(*Territory*) .....

Criminal Appeal No..... of 19....

# REG. v.

# TO THE REGISTRAR OF THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT.

I, ..... having received your notification that my application (s) for —

(a) Leave to appeal;

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- (b) For extension of the time within which notice of appeal or application for leave to appeal may be given ;
- (c) Permission to me to be present during the hearing of any proceedings in my appeal;
- (d) Admission to bail;

(e) Leave to withdraw abandonment of appeal; have been refused;

DO HEREBY GIVE YOU NOTICE that I desire that the said application(s) shall be considered and determined by the Court (and that as I am not legally represented I desire to be present at the determination of my said application(s)*

For signature see Order III rule 3. (Signed) (or mark)

# Appellant.

Signature and address of witness attesting mark.

DATED this ..... day of ..... 19 .....

If you desire to state any reasons in addition to those set out by you in your original notice upon which you submit that the Court should grant your said application(s) you may do so in the space below.

*Strike out if you do not desire to be present.

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CRIMINAL FORM 6

# IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

RECOGNIZANCE OF APPELLANT SENTENCED TO PAYMENT OF A FINE

(Territory) ..... of 19....

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question of law alone (or upon a certificate of the Judge of the said Court Court of that his is a fit case for appeal). And whereas the said Court considers that trial. the said Appellant may, in lieu of payment at and upon his said conviction of the said sum, be ordered to enter into recognizance of bail himself in the sum of \$..... sureties, each in the sum of \$....., to prosecute his said appeal before the Federal Supreme Court.

This said ...... doth hereby acknowledge himself to owe to Our Lady the Queen the said sum of \$..... ..... of good and lawful money, to be made and levied of his goods and chattels, lands and tenements, to the use of Our said Lady the Queen, her heirs and successors, if he the said ...... fail in the condition endorsed.

Taken and acknowledged this day of 19...., at the said Court at and before the Judge of the said Court.

(Signed) .....

#### CONDITION

# (Signed) ..... Appellant.

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# IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

CRIMINAL FORM

RECOGNIZANCE OF SURETIES FOR APPELLANT SENTENCED TO A FINE

SERVICED TO TITILE
<i>(Territory)</i> Criminal Appeal No of 19 REG. v.
TO WIT : Be it remembered that on the day of
of and
personally came before the * and severally acknowledged themselves to owe to Our Lady the Queen the several sums following, that is to say ; the said the sum of \$ and the said the sum of \$ of good and lawful money, to be made and levied of their goods and chattels, lands and tenements, respectively, to the use of Our said Lady the Queen, her heirs and successors if 

Taken and acknowledged before the said Court on the day and year first above-mentioned.

(Signed) .....

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Magistrate (etc.)

#### · CONDITION

The condition of the within written recognizance is such that whereas the said ..... having been convicted of ...... and having been sentenced to pay a fine of \$..... for his said offence, and having now intimated his desire to appeal on a question of law alone (or with the certificate of the Judge of this Court) to the Federal Supreme Court against the said conviction, and having, in lieu of payment at and upon his said conviction of the said sum of \$..... been ordered to enter into recognizance of bail himself in the sum of \$..... and with ...... sureties in the sum of \$......, if the said ..... shall personally appear and be present at and before the Federal Supreme Court at each and every hearing of his appeal to such Court and at the final determination thereof, and then and there prosecute his said appeal and abide by the judgment of such Court, and not depart or be absent from such Court at any such hearing without the leave of such Court, then this recognizance shall be void, otherwise of full force and effect.

(Signed) ......Surety.

(Signed) .....

Surety.

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*Here fill in name of Court of trial. Cap. 2

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CRIMINAL FORM 8

# IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

NOTICE OF BREACH OF HIS RECOGNIZANCES TO APPELLANT SENTENCED TO A FINE

> (Territory) . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .

> Criminal Appeal No..... of 19....

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TO THE ABOVE-NAMED ..... APPELLANT WHEREAS you were convicted on the ..... day of ..... 19...., of the offence of ..... and were sentenced to the payment of \$....., and in default of such payment to imprisonment, and you entered into recognizances in the sum of ..... sureties in the sum of ..... each, to prosecute your appeal, and whereas fourteen days have elapsed since your said conviction, and no notice of appeal has been served by you, NOW I HEREBY GIVE you notice that unless you attend at the sitting of the Court to be holden on the ..... day of ..... 19...., and then show good cause to the contrary, the Court may order an estreat of your recognizances and those of your sureties, or may otherwise deal with you according to law.

> Signed... Registrar,

Federal Supreme Court.

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# CRIMINAL FORM 9

# IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

NOTICE TO SURETY FOR APPELLANT OF ESTREAT OF RECOGNIZANCES

	(Territory)
~~~	Criminal Appeal No of 19
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	то
Here fill in surety's name and	of
address.	WHEREAS you the above-named, became duly bound in recognizances
	as surety, for that the said
	having been convicted of and for
	his said offence fined the sum of \$ should duly prosecute an appeal in relation to the said conviction before the Court, and
	whereas the said has not so prosecuted his appeal, now I hereby give you notice that at the sitting of the Court on
	to be estreated, unless you then show good cause to the contrary.

Signed..... Registrar,

Federal Supreme Court.

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office.

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CRIMINAL FORM 10

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

RECOGNIZANCE OF BAIL OF APPELLANT

(*Territory*) Criminal Appeal No..... of 19.... REG. v. BE IT REMEMBERED THAT WHEREAS was convicted of on the sentenced to), and now is in lawful custody in Her Majesty's Prison at and has duly appealed against his conviction (and sentence) to the Court, and has applied for bail pending the determination of his appeal, and has been granted bail on entering into his own recognizances in the sum of \$..... with sureties, each in the sum of \$..... the said personally cometh before me the undersigned, being the and acknowledges himself to owe to Our Lady the Queen the said sum State of \$ of good and lawful money, to be made and levied office. of his goods and chattels, lands and tenements to the use of Our said Lady the Queen, her heirs and successors, if he the said fail in the condition endorsed.

Taken and acknowledged this day of

19...., at before me.

Signed..... Office : Magistrate, etc.

CONDITION

The following to be filled up by the Appellant and signed by him :---

When released on bail my residence, to which any Notices, etc., are to be addressed, will be as follows :—

Signed..... Appellant.

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RECOGNIZANCE OF APPELLANT'S SURETIES

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Taken and acknowledged before me the undersigned, the day and year first above-mentioned.

CONDITION



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IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

WARRANT FOR ARREST OF APPELLANT ON BAIL

(*Territory*)

Criminal Appeal No..... of 19....

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TO THE CONSTABLES OF THE POLICE FORCE (OR COURT (a) State MESSENGERS OR AS THE CASE MAY BE), AND TO THE (a) office. Head of OF HER MAJESTY'S PRISON AT

WHEREAS an Appellant in the Court has been released on bail, and it has now been ordered by the said court that a Warrant be issued for the apprehension of the said

order of the said Court.

These are therefore to command you the said Constables (or Court Messengers or as the case may be) forthwith to apprehend the said.....

..... and to bring him to the (a) (a) State of the said prison and there deliver him with this warrant into the custody of office. Head of Prisons.

are hereby required to receive the said into your custody in the said prison and there safely to keep him until further

Presiding Judge.

DATED this, 19.....

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CRIMINAL FORM 13

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT

(Territory)

Criminal Appeal No..... of 19....

REG. v.

TO THE REGISTRAR OF THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT.

I, havin	ng
been convicted of	in
the Court at	

and having been desirous of appealing to the Court against my said conviction

(or the sentence of passed upon me on my said conviction) do hereby give you notice that I do not intend further to prosecute my appeal, but that I hereby abandon all further proceedings in regard thereto as from the date hereof.

For signature see Order III rule 3

(Signed) (or mark)

Signature and address of witness attesting mark.

DATED this, 19.....

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CRIMINAL FORM 14

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

NOTIFICATION OF ABANDONMENT OF APPEAL

(Territory)

Criminal Appeal No..... of 19....

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TO THE HONOURABLE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

By Order III rule 17(1) of the Federal Supreme Court (Appeal) Rules, 1958, upon the notice of abandonment being given the appeal shall be deemed to have been dismissed by the Court.

DATED this day of 19......

Registrar of the Court.

*Send copies addressed to :---

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- (a) The Secretary to the Governor for the information of the Governor or the Senior Administrative Officer in charge of any Territory.
- (b) The Attorney General or other respondent.
- (c) The Prison Authority, and
- (d) The Registrar of the Court below.

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CRIMINAL FORM 15

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

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Criminal Appeal No..... of 19....

REG. v.

To the above-named Appellant.

This is to give you notice that the Court have considered the matter of your aplication for -

- (a) leave to appeal to the said Court ;
- (b) leave to extend the time within which you may give notice of appeal or of application for leave to appeal;
- (c) permission to be present during the proceedings in your appeal;
- (d) admission to bail;
- (e) leave to withdraw abandonment of appeal;
- (f) insert here nature of any other application that may have been made ;

and have finally determined the same and have this day given judgment to the effect following :----

Registrar of the Federal Supreme Court

DATED this day of 19......

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CRIMINAL FORM 16

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

(Territory)

Criminal Appeal No..... of 19....

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To the Honourable the Attorney General+

То

This is to give you notice that the above-mentioned having applied for — (a) leave to appeal to the said Court ;

- (b) leave to extend the time within which he may give notice of appeal or of an application for leave to appeal;
- (c) permission to be present during the proceedings in his appeal;
- (d) admission to bail;
- (e) leave to withdraw abandonment of appeal;
- (f) insert here nature of any other application that may have been made.

the court have this day finally determined his said applications and have given judgment to the effect following :----

Here set out the decision of the Court.

Registrar of the Federal Supreme Court

+ Send copies addressed to :--

(a) The Secretary to the Governor for the information of the Governor, or the Senior Administrative Officer in charge of a Territory.

- (b) The Attorney General or other respondent.
- (c) The Prison Authority, and
- (d) The Registrar of the Court below.

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CRIMINAL FORM 17

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

NOTIFICATION TO APPELLANT OF THE RESULT OF HIS APPEAL

(*Territory*)

Criminal Appeal No..... of 19....

REG. v.

To the above-named Appellant.

This is to give you notice that the Court, having considered the matter of your appeal, have finally determined the same and have this day given judgment to the effect following :—

Registrar of the Federal Supreme Court

DATED this day of 19.....

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CRIMINAL FORM 18

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

NOTICE TO AUTHORITIES OF RESULT OF APPEAL

(Territory)

Criminal Appeal No..... of 19....

REG. v.

To the Honourable the Attorney General+

То

This is to give you notice that the above-named having appealed against

his conviction of the offence of before the Court.

and/or the sentence of passed upon him

for the offence of by the Court, the Federal Supreme Court have finally determined the said appeal, and have this day given judgment therein to the effect following ----

> Here set out the decision of the Court.

(Signed) Registrar of the Federal Supreme Court.

DATED this day of 19.....

- (c) The Prison Authority, and (d) The Registrar of the Court below.

⁺ Send copies addressed to :--

⁽a) The Secretary to the Governor for the information of the Governor, or the Senior Administrative Officer in charge of a Territory.
(b) The Attorney General or other respondent.

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CRIMINAL FORM 19

IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

ORDER TO WITNESS TO ATTEND COURT FOR EXAMINATION

(*Territory*)

Criminal Appeal No..... of 19....

REG. v.

Τo Name, etc. of witness.

> of

> WHEREAS on good cause shown to the Court you have been ordered to attend and be examined as a witness before such Court upon the appeal of the above-named.

This is to give you notice to attend before the said Court at

..... on day

of o'clock in the noon. You are also required to have with you at the said time and place any books, papers or other things relating to the said appeal of which you may have had notice so to produce.

Registrar of the Federal Supreme Court

DATED the ,..... day of ,..... 19......
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IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

APPELLANT'S APPLICATION FOR FURTHER WITNESS

(Territory)

Criminal Appeal No..... of 19....

Appellant.

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I,, having appealed to the Court, hereby request you to take notice that I desire that the said Court shall order the witnessees hereinafter specified to attend the Court and be examined on my behalf.

> (Signed) (or mark)

For signature see Order III rule 3.

Signature and address of witness attesting mark.

DATED this day of 19

You are required to fill up the following and sign the same.

1. Names and addresses of witnesses.

2. Whether such witnesses have been examined at trial.

3. If not, state the reason why they were not so examined.

4. On what matters do you wish them to be examined on the appeal.

State shortly the evidence you think they can give.

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IN THE FEDERAL SUPREME COURT APPELLATE JURISDICTION

NOTICE TO WITNESS TO ATTEND BEFORE AN EXAMINER

(*Territory*)

Criminal Appeal No..... of 19....

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WHEREAS on good cause shown to the Court you have been ordered to be examined as a witness upon the appeal of the above-named, and your deposition to be taken for the use of the said Court.

(a) Specify place of examination.	This is to give you notice to attend at (a) on the day of	, 19
	before (b)	. at o'clock
	in the noon.	· ·

You are also required to have with you at the said time and place any books, papers or other things under your control or in your possession in any manner relating to the said appeal of which you may have had notice so to produce.

Registrar of the Federal Supreme Court

DATED the, 19.....,

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(*Territory*)

Criminal Appeal No..... of 19....

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The deposition of who (upon oath duly administered by me) said as follows :---

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Date of making		 •••	17th February, 1958.
Commencement	••	 	17th February, 1958.

1. (1) These Rules may be cited as the Federal Supreme Court Short title (Evidence) Rules, 1958.

(2) These Rules shall apply in all proceedings instituted in the Federal Supreme Court in the exercise of its original civil jurisdiction under articles 42, 80 and 81 of the Constitution and to all such proceedings taken on or after that day in all causes or matters then pending.

2. (1) In these Rules unless inconsistent with the context—

Definitions.

- "Minister" in relation to the Federation or to a Territory means the Minister charged with the administration of any statute (including rules, regulations or bye-laws made thereunder) in its application to the Federation or to that Territory;
 - "Commonwealth country" means any part of the Commonwealth and the Republic of Ireland but does not include the Federation or any Territory thereof;
 - "Government Printer" means and includes any printer purporting to be a printer authorised to print the statutes of the Federation or of a Territory;

"bank" and "banker" means and include-

(a) any person or persons, partnership or company carrying on the business of bankers in the Federation, or the manager;

(b) any person or persons, partnership or company, who may hereafter carry on the business of bankers in the Federation and who hereafter, under the authority of any statute passed by the Legislature of the Federation or of a Territory and allowed by Her Majesty, may establish a banking association in the Federation, or the manager;

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(c) any Government Savings Bank established under a law of the Federation or of a Territory, in relation to which the expression "banker" means the Postmaster General in the case of a Post Office Savings Bank and in other cases means the officer managing such bank;

- "banker's books" means and includes ledgers, day books, account books and all other books used in the ordinary business of a bank;
- "Consul" and "Vice-Consul" mean any Consul or Vice-Consul appointed by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom.

(2) The Interpretation Regulations, 1958, shall, unless inconsistent with the context, apply to the interpretation of these Rules as if these Rules were an Act.

Evidence generally

3. (1) In the absence of any agreement in writing between the parties or their solicitors, and subject to these Rules, the witnesses at the hearing of any action or at any assessment of damages shall be examined viva voce and in open court.

(2) Notwithstanding any agreement by the parties to take evidence by affidavit, the Court, after hearing the affidavits on both sides and considering them unsatisfactory may order the witnesses to be examined viva voce at the hearing and refuse to have the affidavits then read.

(3) The Court or Judge may at any time, for sufficient reason, order that any particular fact or facts may be proved by affidavit or that the affidavit of any witness may be read at the hearing on such conditions as the Court may think reasonable, or that any witness whose attendance in Court ought, for sufficient reason, to be dispensed with, be examined by interrogatories or otherwise by the Registrar or a Commissioner to be appointed by the Court for that purpose: Provided that where it appears to the Court that the other party bona fide desires the production of a witness for cross-examination, and that such witness can be produced within such time as the Court deems reasonable, an order shall not be made authorizing the evidence of such witness to be given by affidavit.

Evidence on hearing of application to be by affidavit.

4. Evidence in support of an application or upon any motion, petition or summons shall ordinarily be given by affidavit, but the Court or Judge, on the application of either party, may order the attendance for cross-examination of the person making any such affidavit, and where, after such an order has been made, the person in question does not attend his affidavit shall not be used as evidence unless by the special leave of the Court or a Judge. By leave of the Court or Judge to be obtained at the time of making the application, motion, petition or summons any particular fact or facts may be proved by the evidence of witnesses given viva voce.

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5. (1) Without prejudice to rule 4 of these Rules, the Court or a Evidence of Judge may, at or before the trial of an action, order or direct that particular evidence of any particular fact shall be given at the trial in such facts. manner as may be specified by the order or direction.

(2) The power conferred by paragraph (1) of this rule extends in particular to ordering or directing that evidence of any particular fact may be given at the trial—

(a) by statement on oath of information or belief; or

- (b) by the production of documents or entries in books; or
- (c) by copies of documents or entries in books; or
- (d) in the case of a fact which is or was a matter of common knowledge either generally or in a particular district, by the production of a specified newspaper which contains a statement of that fact.

6. The Court or a Judge may, at or before the trial of an action Limitation order or direct that the number of medical or expert witnesses who may of medical be called at the trial shall be limited as specified by the order or and expert direction.

7. Unless, at or before the trial, the Court or a Judge for special Limitation reasons otherwise orders or directs, no plan, photograph or model shall of plans, be receivable in evidence at the trial of an action unless at least ten etc., in days before the commencement of the trial the parties, other than the party producing it, have been given an opportunity to inspect it and to agree to the admission thereof without further proof.

8. An order to read evidence taken in another cause or matter shall Reading not be necessary, but such evidence may, saving all just exceptions, be evidence read on ex parte applications by leave of the Court or a Judge, to be taken in obtained at the time of making any such application, and in any other or matters. case upon the party desiring to use such evidence giving four days' previous notice to the other parties of his intention to read such evidence.

Examination of Witnesses

9. (1) The Court or a Judge may, in any cause or matter where it Evidence on shall appear necessary for the purposes of justice, make any order for commission. the examination upon oath before the Court or Judge, or any Officer or Commissioner of the Court, or any other person, and at any place, of any witness, or of a person called to produce any document, and may empower any party to any such cause or matter to give the deposition of such witness in evidence therein on such terms, if any, as the Court or Judge may direct.

(2) The process for summoning any witnesses or persons for such examination, and their remuneration and liabilities in case of disobedience, shall, unless otherwise provided by these Rules, be the same as in the case of witnesses or persons required to give evidence or produce documents at the hearing of an action.

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Letters of request.

Order for attendance of person to produce. 10. If in any case the Court or a Judge shall so order there shall be issued a request to examine witnesses in lieu of a commission.

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11. The Court or a Judge may in any cause or matter at any stage of the proceedings order the attendance of any person for the purpose of producing any writings or other documents named in the order which the Court or Judge may think fit to be produced: provided that no person shall be compelled to produce under any such order any writing or other documents which he could not be compelled to produce at the hearing or trial.

Power to administer oaths.

to 12. Any Officer or Commissioner of the Court, or other person ster directed to take the examination of any witness or person, or any person nominated or appointed to take the examination of any witness or person pursuant to the provisions of any convention now made or hereafter to be made with any foreign country, may administer oaths.

Examiner to have copy of writ and pleadings. 13. Where any witness or person is ordered to be examined before any Officer or Commissioner of the Court, or before any person appointed for the purpose, the person taking the the party on whose application the order was made with a copy of the writ and pleadings, if any, or with a to inform the person taking the examination of the questions at issue between the parties.

Examination, how taken.

- 14. The examination shall take place in the presence of the parties, their counsel, solicitors or agents and the witnesses shall be subject to cross-examination and re-examination.

15. The depositions shall be taken down in writing by or in the Depositions, how taken. presence of the examiner, not ordinarily by question and answer, but so as to represent as nearly as may be the statement of the witness, and when completed shall be read over to the witness and signed by him and by the examiner in the presence of the parties or such of them as may think fit to attend. If the witness shall refuse to sign the depositions, the examiner shall sign the same. The examiner may put down any particular question or answer if there should appear any special reason for doing so, and may put any question to the witness as to the meaning of any answer, or as to any matter arising in the course of the examination. Any questions which may be objected to shall be taken down by the examiner in the depositions; but, except when the deposition may be taken by the Court or a Judge, the materiality or relevancy of a question objected to shall not be then and there decided, but every such question shall be answered subject to the answer being afterwards expunged if the Court should sustain the objection.

Depositions 16. The depositions authenticated by the signature of the examiner to be trans- shall be transmitted by him to the Registrar, and shall be filed and shall the Registrar.

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17. The person taking the examination of a witness under these Special Rules may, and if need be, shall make a special report to the Court report by touching such examination, and the conduct or absence of any witness or other person thereon, and the Court or a Judge may direct such proceedings and make such order as upon the report it or he may think just.

18. Evidence may be taken in like manner on the application of any Evidence in person before any action has been begun, when it is shown to the anticipation satisfaction of the Court or a Judge on oath that the person applying has good reason to apprehend that an action will be begun against him in the Court, and that some person within the jurisdiction at the time of the application can give material evidence respecting the subject of the apprehended action but that he is about to leave the jurisdiction, or that from some other cause the person applying may lose the benefit of his evidence if it be not at once taken, and the evidence so taken may be used at the hearing, subject to all just exceptions. The Court or Judge may impose any terms or conditions with reference to the examination of such witness and the admission of such evidence, as to the Court or Judge may seem reasonable.

19. If any person duly summoned to attend for examination shall Refusal of refuse to attend, or if, having attended, he shall refuse to be sworn or to attend or answer any lawful question, a certificate of such refusal, signed by the be sworn. examiner, shall be filed in the Registry, and thereupon the party requiring the attendance of the witness may apply to the Court or a Judge ex parte or on notice for an order directing the witness to attend, or to be sworn, or to answer any question, as the case may be.

20. If any witness shall object to any question which may be put Objection to him before an examiner, the question so put, and the objection of by witness the witness thereto, shall be taken down by the examiner, and transmitted by him to the Registry to be there filed, and the validity of the objection shall be decided by the Court or a Judge.

21. In any case under the last two preceding rules the Court or a Costs occa-Judge shall have power to order the witness to pay any costs occasioned sioned by refusal or objection.

22. Except where by these Rules otherwise provided, or directed Depositions by the Court or a Judge, no deposition shall be given in evidence at the not to be hearing or trial of the cause or matter without the consent of the party given in against whom the same may be offered, unless the Court or Judge is evidence satisfied that the deponent is dead, or beyond the jurisdiction of the consent or Court or unable from sickness or other infirmity to attend the hearing by leave of or trial, in any of which cases the depositions certified under the hand Judge. of the person taking the examination shall be admissible in evidence saving all just exceptions without proof of the signature to such certificate.

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23. Any party in any cause or matter may by subpoena ad testificandum or duces tecum require the attendance of any witness under sub-poena for before an Officer of the Court, or other person appointed to take the examination examination, for the purpose of using his evidence upon any proceeding in the cause or matter in like manner as such witness would be bound to attend and be examined at the hearing or trial; and any party or witness having made an affidavit to be used or which shall be used on any proceeding in the cause or matter shall be bound on being served with such subpoena to attend before such Officer or person for crossexamination.

Evidence 24. Evidence taken subsequently to the hearing or trial of any taken at cause or matter shall be taken as nearly as may be in the same manner as evidence taken at or with a view to a trial.

Practice as 25.The practice with reference to the examination, crossto taking examination, and re-examination of witnesses at a trial shall extend and evidence at he are like in the second state of the second state any stage of be applicable to evidence taken in any cause or matter at any stage. cause or matter.

26.The practice of the Court with respect to evidence at a trial, Special directions as when applied to evidence to be taken before an Officer of the Court or to taking other person in any cause or matter after the hearing or trial, shall be evidence. subject to any special directions which may be given in any case.

27. All evidence taken at the hearing or trial of any cause or matter Use of evimay be used in any subsequent proceedings in the same cause or matter. dence in subsequent proceedings.

Title of affidavits. Affidavits

Every affidavit shall be intituled in the action, cause or matter 28.in which it is sworn; but in every case in which there are more than one plaintiff or defendant, it shall be sufficient to state the full name of the first plaintiff or defendant respectively, and that there are other plaintiffs or defendants, as the case may be, and the costs occasioned by any unnecessary prolixity in any such title shall be disallowed by the taxing officer.

Every affidavit shall be drawn up in the first person, and shall be divided into paragraphs. Every paragraph shall be numbered consecutively, and as nearly as may be shall be confined to a distinct portion of the subject. Every affidavit shall be written, typed or printed bookwise. No costs shall be allowed for any affidavit substantially departing from this rule.

30. Every affidavit shall state the description and true place of Description and abode abode of the deponent or, if a solicitor, his place of business.

31. All examinations, affidavits, declarations, affirmations and how sworn attestations of honour, acknowledgments and any other deed or document depending in the Court may be sworn and taken before a Judge of the Court, the Registrar or a deputy registrar of the Court or any person lawfully authorised to administer oaths in any Territory and the Judges and other officers of the Court shall take judicial notice of the signature of any such person attached or appended thereto.

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32. In every affidavit the time when and the place where the Time and affidavit is sworn shall be inserted in the jurat otherwise the same shall place of not be admitted in evidence without the leave of the Court or a Judge. affidavit

to be stated.

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33. In every affidavit made by two or more deponents the names Joint of the several persons making the affidavit shall be inserted in the affidavit jurat, except if the affidavits of all the deponents are taken at one time of two by the same officer, it shall be sufficient to state that it was sworn by deponents. both (or all) of the "above-named" deponents.

34. Every affidavit used in a cause or matter shall be filed in the Affidavit Registry. There shall be endorsed on every affidavit a note showing to be on whose behalf it is filed, and no affidavit shall be used without such filed. note, unless the Court or Judge shall otherwise direct.

35. The Court or a Judge may order to be struck out from any Striking affidavit any matter which is scandalous, and may order the costs of any out application to strike out such matter to be paid as between solicitor and scandalous matter.

36. No affidavit having in the jurat, or body thereof any inter-Alterations lineation, alteration or erasure, shall without leave of the Court or a in affidavits. Judge be read or made use of in any proceeding in Court unless the interlineation or alteration (other than by erasure) is authenticated by the initials of the officer taking the affidavit, nor in the case of an erasure, unless the words or figures appearing at the time of taking the affidavit to be written on the erasure are rewritten and signed or initialled in the margin of the affidavit by the officer taking it.

37. Where an affidavit is sworn by any person who appears to the Affidavit officer taking the affidavit to be illiterate or blind, the officer shall certify of blind or in or below the jurat that the affidavit was read in his presence to the ^{illiterate} deponent, that the deponent seemed perfectly to understood it, and that ^{person.} the deponent made his signature in the presence of the officer. No such affidavit shall be used in evidence in the absence of this certificate, unless the Court or Judge is otherwise satisfied that the affidavit was read over to and appeared to be perfectly understood by the deponent.

38. The Court or a Judge may receive any affidavit sworn for the Use of purpose of being used in any cause or matter, notwithstanding any defective defect by misdescription of parties or otherwise in the title or jurat, or any other irregularity in the form thereof, and may direct a memorandum to be made on the document that it has been so received.

39. No affidavit shall be sufficient if sworn before the solicitor acting Affidavit for the party on whose behalf the affidavit is to be used, or before the sworn before party himself.

solicitor or party.

40. Any affidavit which would be insufficient if sworn before the Affidavit solicitor himself shall be insufficient if sworn before his partner or sworn before clerk.

or partner of solicitor.

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Special Where a special time is limited for filing affidavits, no affidavit 41. times for filed after that time shall be used, unless by leave of the Court or a Judge. filing affidavits.

Use of affidavits previously used.

All affidavits which have been previously made and read in any proceeding in a cause or matter may, with the leave of the Judge, be used in any subsequent proceeding or at the trial of the same cause or matter.

Attestations and Proof of Acts and Documents outside the Federation

Making 43. (1) All examinations, affidavits, declarations, affirmations and attestations attestations of honour, acknowledgments or any other deed or document in any cause or matter depending in the Court may be sworn and taken-

- (a) in any Commonwealth country outside the Federation before-
 - (i) any Court or Judge thereof;
 - (ii) any Notary Public under the signature and seal of his office; or
 - (iii) any person lawfully authorised to administer oaths in such Court provided that the signature of such person is authenticated by a Judge, the Registrar of a Court of Justice or a Notary Public;
 - (b) in any country outside the Commonwealth before any of Her Majesty's Consuls or Vice-Consuls.

(2) Any affidavit, declaration or other document which would be admissible in evidence in the High Court of Judicature in England pursuant to the provisions of section 10 of the Emergency Laws (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1953, or of section 204 of the Army Act, 1955, or section 204 of the Air Force Act, 1955, shall be admissible in evidence in the Federal Supreme Court in the like circumstances and subject to the same conditions as such affidavit, declaration or other document would have been admissible in evidence in the High Court of Judicature in England.

(3) The Judges and other officers of the Court shall take judicial notice of the seal and signature of any such Court, Judge, Notary Public, Consul, Vice-Consul or officer attached or appended thereto.

44. All proclamations, treaties, and other acts of state of any foreign state or of any Commonwealth country, and all judgments, decrees, orders and other judicial proceedings of any court of justice in any monwealth acts of state foreign state or in any Commonwealth country, and any affidavits, and judicial pleadings, and other legal documents filed or deposited in any such court, proceedings may be proved either by examined copies or by copies authenticated as hereinafter mentioned; that is to say, if the document sought to be proved be a proclamation, treaty or other act of state, the authenticated

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copy to be admissible in evidence must purport to be sealed with the seal of the foreign state or Commonwealth country to which the original document belongs; and if the document sought to be proved be a

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judgment, decree, order or other judicial proceeding of any foreign court or a court of a Commonwealth country, or an affidavit, pleading, or other legal document filed or deposited in any such court, the authenticated copy to be admissible in evidence must purport either to be sealed with the seal of the foreign court or the court of the Commonwealth country to which the original document belongs, or, in the event of such court having no seal to be signed by the Judge, or, if there be more than one Judge, by any one of the Judges of the said court; and such Judge shall attach to his signature a statement in writing on the said copy that the court whereof he is a Judge has no seal; but if any of the aforesaid authenticated copies shall purport to be sealed or signed as hereinbefore respectively directed, the same shall respectively be admitted in evidence in every case in which the original document could have been received in evidence without any proof of the seal where a seal is necessary, or of the signature, or of the truth of the statement attached thereto, where, such signature and statement are necessary or of the judicial character of the person appearing to have made such signature and statement.

Proof of Commonwealth Statutes

45. (1) Copies of statutes passed (whether before or after the making _{Common-}of these Rules) by the legislature of any Commonwealth country wealth (exclusive of the United Kingdom) and of orders, regulations and other Statutes, instruments issued or made (whether before or after the making of these Rules) under the authority of any such statute, if purporting to be printed by the Government Printer shall be received in evidence without any proof being given that the copies were so printed.

(2) In this rule—

the expression "the legislature of any Commonwealth country" when applied to countries having a central or federal legislature and local legislatures includes both the central or federal legislature and the local legislatures;

the expression "Government Printer" means, as respects any part of the Commonwealth, the printer purporting to be the printer authorized to print the Acts, Ordinances or Statutes of the legislature of that part of the Commonwealth or otherwise to be the Government Printer thereof.

General Presumptions as to certain Signatures and Government Gazettes

46. Where under these Rules a document is declared to be admissible Proof of if it purports to be signed by any person as the holder of any office, handwriting either as the person making or issuing the document, or certifying a true and of copy thereof or extract therefrom, the mere production of such document office shall be evidence that the signature is the signature of such person and with. that when he signed it he was the holder of such office.

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Proof of Gazettes and the printing thereof.

47. (1) The mere production of a paper purporting to be the Gazette of The West Indies or the Government Gazette of a Territory shall be evidence that such paper is such Gazette and was published on the day on which it bears date.

(2) The mere production of a paper purporting to be printed by the Government Printer of the Federation or by the authority of the Federal Government, the Government Printer of a Territory or by the authority of the Government of a Territory shall be evidence that the paper was printed by such Government Printer or by such authority.

Judicial Proceedings

48. Proof of Evidence of any judgment, decree, rule, order or other judicial proceedings of any Federal Court or of any Court of a Territory, including any affidavit, pleading, or other legal document filed or deposited in any such Court may be given by the production of a copy torial Court. thereof -

- (a) proved to be an examined copy thereof; or
- (b) purporting to be office copies, that is to say, copies certified and sealed by the Registrar of such Court ; or
- (c) purporting to be signed by a Judge of such Court; with a statement in writing attached by him to his signature that such Court has no seal and without proof of his judicial character or the truth of such statement.

49. (1) A copy of the Judge's notes of the evidence given before any Court in the Federation, or any extract from such notes, shall be admissible in evidence before the Federal Supreme Court if the copy or extract purports to be certified as a true copy or extract therefrom by the Registrar of the Court.

(2) When notes of the evidence are taken on oath or affirmation by an official stenographer before any Court or person in the Federation. competent to receive the same, a copy of such notes or extract therefrom shall be admissible in evidence in proceedings before the Federal Supreme Court, if the transcript purports to be certified as a true transcript or extract therefrom by such stenographer.

Judicial Notice

Judicial notice of The Court shall take judicial notice of ----

- (a) all Acts, Laws and Ordinances of the Legislature of the Federation and of each Territory;
- (b) the impression of the Public Seal of the Federation or of a Territory.

The Court shall take judicial notice of—

(a) the official signature of any person in the Government or Legislature of the Federation or of a Territory who holds or has held the office of Governor-General, Governor, Minister, the President or Speaker of a Legislature or of

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any branch thereof, Attorney General, Secretary to the Governor-General or Clerk to the Executive Council or corresponding body;

- (b) the official signature of the Judges of the Court and of a superior court of a Territory and the Registrar and deputy registrar of such courts;
- (c) the official seal of every such person or Court ; and

(d) the fact that such person holds or has held such office

if the signature or seal purports to be attached or appended to any judicial or official document.

52. The Court shall take judicial notices of the seal of every Judicial court in the Federation appended or attached to any judicial or official notice of document.

Proof of votes and proceedings of Legislatures

53. All documents purporting to be copies of the Votes and Proof of Proceedings or Journals or Minutes of the Federal Legislature or the votes and Legislature of a Territory or any branch thereof, or of papers presented proceedings to the Federal Legislature or the Legislature of a Territory or any branch tures. thereof, if purporting to be printed by the Government Printer, shall on their mere production be admitted as evidence thereof.

Proof of Proclamations, etc.

54. Evidence of any proclamation, commission, order, bye-law, Proof of regulation, licence or permit issued or made by the Governor-General or proclamaby or under the authority of a Minister of the Council of State or by tions, etc. the Governor of a Territory or by or under the authority of any Minister in the Government of such Territory or issued or made by any person authorised so to do by any law of the Federation or of a Territory, may be given —

- (a) by the production of the Federal Gazette or the Government Gazette of the Territory purporting to contain the same;
- (b) by the production of a document purporting to be a copy thereof and purporting to be printed by the Government Printer of the Federation or of a Territory or by the authority of the Government of the Federation or of a Territory;
- (c) by the production of a document purporting to be certified as a true copy thereof or an extract therefrom —
 - (i) by the Clerk of the Council of State, if the original was made or issued by the Governor-General ;
 - (ii) by the Clerk to the Executive Council or corresponding body if the original was made by the Governor of a Territory;

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- (iii) by a Minister of the Federal Government or the Government of a Territory if the original was made or issued by any such Minister; or
- (iv) by the person issuing or making such proclamation, commission, order, bye-law, regulation, licence or permit, if the original was made or issued by any person authorised so to do under any law of the Federation or of a Territory.

Where by any law for the time being in force in the Federation Proof of 55. or in any Territory thereof, the Governor-General, a Minister of the acts done by Gover-Council of State, a Governor of a Territory or a Minister in the Governnor-General and officers. ment thereof or any other person is authorised to do any act whatsoever, production of the Federal Gazette or the Government Gazette of a Territory purporting to contain a copy or notification of any such acts shall be evidence of such act having been duly done.

Proof of Public Documents

- (a) any public document; or
 - (b) any record required by law to be kept of any public document or proceeding; or
 - (c) any certified copy of any public document or bye-law or of any entry in any public register or book

is admissible in evidence for any purpose in the Federation or Territory, it shall be admitted in evidence to the same extent and for the same purposes, if it purports to be sealed or impressed with a stamp, or sealed and signed, or signed alone, or impressed with a stamp and signed, as directed by such law of a Territory, without any proof of such seal, stamp or signature or of the official character of the person appearing to have signed the same, and without any further proof thereof in every case in which the original document could have been received in evidence.

Proof of public documents not so declared.

57. (1) Whenever any book or other document is of such a public nature as to be admissible in evidence on its mere production from the proper custody and no law of the Federation or of a Territory exists which renders its contents provable by means of a copy, any copy thereof or extract therefrom shall be admissible in evidence, provided that it be proved to be an examined copy or extract, or provided it purport to be signed and certified as a true copy or extract by the officer to whose custody the original is entrusted.

(2) The certificate purporting to be signed by any officer in whose custody the original of any document is entrusted that such document was made in the course of official duty respecting facts which were of public interest recorded for the benefit of the public and available for consultation by members of the public shall be admissible as evidence that the document referred to in such certificate is of such a public nature as to be admissible in evidence as aforesaid.

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Proof of documents declared public by law.

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Births, Marriages and Deaths

58. (1) A certified copy of an entry in any register of births, deaths, or Certified marriages purporting to bear the signature of the person having legal copies of entries in custody of such register, or of some person legally authorised to sign such registers copy at the time of such copy being issued, and authenticated as herein-admissible after provided, shall, in the case of any register kept at any place in a in evidence. Commonwealth country subject to all just exceptions, be prima facie evidence for all purposes of the fact of the birth or death or the legal solemnization of the marriage thereby certified,

(2) Such copy shall purport to bear the signature of a person Necessary describing himself as holding some office, benefice, or position entitling him authentication of to the custody of such register, or to sign such copy at the time of so cercopies of tifying, and the authentication of such signature shall be under the hand entries. and seal of some Notary Public, or under the hand of the Registrar General, or Superintendent Registrar of Births and Deaths or Registrar of Marriages of the Commonwealth country within which such certificate shall purport to have been issued, or under the hand of some member of the High Court or Supreme Court of such Commonwealth country, or under the seal of some court of civil jurisdiction in the district in which the same shall have been issued.

Bankers' Books

59. Subject to the provisions of these Rules, a copy of any entry Mode of in a banker's book shall be received as prima facie evidence of such entry, proof of entry in bankers' bankers' bankers'

60. (1)A copy of an entry in a banker's book shall not be received in Proof that evidence under these Rules unless it be first proved that the book was, book is a at the time of the making of the entry, one of the ordinary books of the banker's bank, and that the entry was made in the usual and ordinary course of business, and that the book is in the custody or control of the bank.

(2) Such proof may be given by the manager or accountant of the bank, and in the case of a Government Savings Bank by the banker or by any person authorised by him.

(3) Such proof may be given orally, or by affidavit sworn or statutory declaration made before any person duly authorised by or under the law in operation in a Territory to administer oaths for the purposes of a superior court in that Territory.

61. A copy of an entry in a banker's book shall not be received in Verificaevidence under these Rules unless it be further proved that the copy has tion of been examined with the original entry and is correct; such proof shall be ^{copy}. given by some person who has examined the copy with the original entry, and may be given either orally or by an affidavit sworn, or statutory declaration made before any such person as is specified in the last preceding rule.